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WHY TROOPS ARE OUTSIDE SETTLEMENT.

HANKOW MILITARY AND LABOUR SPLIT EXPECTED.

TROOPS DISEMBARK HERE.

Answering many questions by Labourites in the House of Commons yesterday, Sir Austen Chamberlain stated that the delicate situation which had arisen in Shanghai had made it necessary for British troops to take up precautionary positions just outside the Settlement. He emphasised that there had been and would be no breach of neutrality on the part of Britain vis-a-vis the rival Chinese armies approaching Shanghai and stated that it was the intention to keep all armed Chinese forces outside the Settlement.

News from the Yangtze zone states that there are indications of an early split between the Nationalist military and labour parties at Hankow and that the strike of coolies at the Standard Oil Company's installation has now spread to the A. P. C. installation.

At Wuhu, the British steamer Kutwo has been detained by the Chinese authorities following a collision with a military launch which was sunk. Mrs. Borodin is on board a Soviet steamer which has been detained at Nanking by Marshal Sun's troops because a quantity of ammunition was found in the bunkers.

The 1st Batt. Border Regiment and the 1st Batt. Middlesex Regiment arrived in Hongkong this morning by the s.s. Karmala and both battalions are disembarking here. There is no decision yet regarding the destination of the Coldstream Guards and the 1st Devons.

London, Mar. 2.

In the House of Commons, Lieut.-Com. Kenworthy (Labour) asked what instructions had been given to the General Officer Commanding at Shanghai regarding the occupation of Chinese territory outside the Concession, "seeing that British troops had occupied positions outside the boundaries of the Concession?"

Sir Austen Chamberlain declined, in the public interest, to disclose the terms of the instructions.

Subsequently, in reply to Mr. R. C. Wallhead (Labour), Sir Austen Chamberlain stated that in view of the delicate situation which had arisen in Shanghai, British troops had taken up precautionary positions on a defensive line which was partly outside the Settlement limits. Italian forces were collaborating in the matter, but he was unable to say whether the Italian posts were actually placed outside the Settlement. He added that the occupation of this particular position was dictated by the tactical necessities.

Respecting Neutrality.

Mr. Wallhead asked whether the operation infringed either territoriality or neutrality, and Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that when danger arises troops must be placed in a position effectively to discharge their duty of protecting British lives—for which they were sent.

Col. J. C. Wedgwood (Labour) asked if neither northern or southern troops were to be allowed within whatever territory was at present occupied by the British, and Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that it was for the purpose of keeping armed forces and armed individuals—fugitives or stragglers from the armies—out of the Settlement and therefore avoiding the dangers inherent in such a case to British lives, that the troops were there.

The Rev. G. Stephen (Labour) asked whether the Chinese troops from the North had entered Shanghai and whether Marshal Chang Tsung-chang had been permitted to take up his headquarters in the International Settlement, and whether the Cantonese, if they arrive opposite the British lines, will also be permitted to enter the city.

Sir Austen Chamberlain denied that troops had entered the International Settlement, and neither had Marshal Chang established his headquarters in the Settlement. He added that in the contingency foreshadowed, the British forces would continue to be governed by a

policy of complete neutrality and impartiality as between the contending forces.

Independent American Action.

Mr. Howard Bury (Labour) asked if the press reports were untrue that the United States was acting independently at Shanghai, and Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that they were taking independently such measures as they think right.

Sir Austen Chamberlain told Sir Joseph Nall (Conservative) that there was no rivalry between the United States and ourselves, and he also told Col. Wedgwood that His Majesty's Government had throughout endeavoured to act in harmony and wherever possible in full co-operation with other Powers.—*Reuter.*

NAVAL REPORTS.

Ichang Situation Easier.

Ichang, Mar. 2. The situation is much easier, the anti-British feeling having lessened considerably as the result of the signing of the agreement with the Labour Unions.—*Naval Wireless.*

Hankow Split Likely.

Hankow, Mar. 2. A strike of the carrying coolies of the Standard Oil Company's installation has now spread to the Asiatic Petroleum Company's installation. A small demonstration was held in the village behind the installations.

There are definite indications of a split between the Nationalist military and labour parties in the very near future.

A number of troops have left down river.

Telegraphic communication with Wuhu has been interrupted.—*Naval Wireless.*

British Steamer Detained.

Wuhu, March 2. The British s.s. Kutwo has been detained by the Chinese authorities, following a collision with a military launch which was towing junks. The military launch was sunk, and the British Vice-Consul is proceeding to Wuhu to investigate the circumstances of the sinking.—*Naval Wireless.*

Mrs. Borodin Detained.

Nanking, March 2. A Soviet steamer, the Dnyselem, with Mrs. Borodin on board, is being detained here by Marshal (Continued on page 12.)

SWATOW RIOTS.

RIVAL UNIONS AT WAR.

TWO KILLED: 48 WOUNDED.

Writing under date of yesterday, the *Telegraph* correspondent at Swatow says:

Fighting has again broken out between the Wharf Labour Union, and the Tong Tek Labour Union, the new Union formed by Canton and Hongkong labourers, and up to date two men have been killed and some 48 have been seriously wounded.

Yesterday there were about 500 troops in the town endeavouring to quell the riot, but without success.

Troops' Banners.

An interesting sidelight on the way in which the military and the Labour Unions are working together is given in the fact that the troops who paraded the town carried banners stating that—"We soldiers are ordered by the General Labour Union to repress all those who are fighting members of the Union."

One-Hour Strike.

There was a one-hour strike yesterday to protest against the landing of British troops in China. The following is a translation of the notices sent out calling the strike and giving the reasons therefore:

"Notice is hereby given that, by order of the Swatow General Labour Union, acting under telegraphic instructions from the National Chong Wha General Labour Union, as a protest against the arrival of the British Fleet and the landing of the British troops on Chinese soil, all our labouring comrades must cease work for one hour commencing at 10 a.m. on February 28th.

"These instructions must be strictly obeyed by members of all Unions in order to make the protest effective, and each Union must appoint ten representatives to attend a meeting at the General Union Headquarters to organise bodies of lecturers to make public speeches in the streets of Swatow and to explain to the people the meaning of this lightning strike."

Absurd Allegation.

The notice further states:—"The arrival of the British Fleet in China is to assist our enemies Tso and Sun and again oppress our Kuomintang Revolutionary Army, at Shanghai.

"More than 300,000 of our labouring comrades have been on strike and many of them have been killed. Therefore we must struggle with all our might and protest bravely against these Imperialistic methods.—By order of the Nia Tang Foreign Employees Labour Union, Swatow."

s.s. Haining Cannot Land Cargo

Later.

Further light was thrown on the above affair by the officers of the s.s. Haining, which came into Hongkong from Swatow to-day. The boat did not reach Swatow until the trouble was practically over and thus it was not possible for those on board to learn of what had precisely happened.

It appears, however, that two of the members of rival unions of wharf coolies had been quarrelling and that, as a reprisal, the authorities had struck them both off the register and closed down their offices. As a consequence of this, all the wharf coolies went on strike, and the s.s. Haining was unable to land its Swatow cargo which it had to bring on to Hongkong. It was learned, however, that negotiations were in progress and that it was expected later that the Unions would be revived and the trouble subsided.

TO-DAY.

Dollar on demand 2/4-1/8
Lighting-up 6.23 p.m.

"SUNNING" PIRATES EXECUTED.

TWO MORE HANGED THIS MORNING.

"WE DIE BUT ONCE."

"Maskae, we die but once." With these words, indicative of a complete resignation to their fate, the second pair of "sunning" pirates philosophically went to their death on the scaffold at Victoria Gaol at dawn this morning.

The men were Chan Lo and Sun Mau, both Cantonese, who figured as the Nos. 3 and 4 defendants at the trial. Placed in the same cell as two of the other condemned men to await execution, they took part in the sensational attempt to break out of confinement on Tuesday morning.

The first-named is recalled as being the man who pressed a revolver into Captain Pringle's stomach during the piracy, while the second man before the close of the trial admitted that he was fully aware that pirates were on board when the ship sailed from Amoy, and added that later a gun was put into his hands by the Pirate Chief (one of the two executed yesterday) and he was told "to do his bit."

The customary death enquiry was held at the Central Magistracy this afternoon by Major C. Willson.

With the execution of the four men, there still remain another two, the Nos. 5 and 20 defendants in the recent trial, whose execution will be carried out tomorrow morning.

SCENE AT CHINESE LEGATION.

THIRTY DEMONSTRATORS ARRESTED IN PARIS.

Paris, March 2.

The police were summoned to eject a party of thirty Chinese who called at the Chinese Legation at 7.30 in the morning and demanded an interview with the Minister and who refused to leave when the Minister offered to receive two delegates when the office opened. The intruders refused to disperse, and were taken to the Police Station, the majority being charged with assaulting the police.—*Reuter.*

Unemployed.

Later.

It transpires that the intruders were unemployed and demanded either work or repatriation. Another delegation later interviewed the Minister, who promised to do his utmost to find them work and to distribute the available funds.—*Reuter.*

ZINOVIEFF LETTER.

ITS AUTHENTICITY CONFIRMED.

London, Mar. 2.

Sir Austen Chamberlain in the House of Commons was asked whether anything had arisen either in the recent reply from the Soviet or from any other source, throwing any doubt on the accuracy of the conclusion that the Zinovieff letter, which brought down the Labour Government in 1924, was not a forgery.

Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that nothing had arisen. On the contrary, two pieces of confirmatory evidence were available to the present Government which were not available to the Labour Government. Asked if he was prepared to submit this evidence, Sir Austen Chamberlain replied "No! Our sources of information are thoroughly trustworthy, but would not be available if they could be made public."—*British Wireless.*

RED PROTECTION.

WHAT IT MEANS IN HANKOW.

AN AMERICAN'S EXPERIENCE.

An insight into the sort of protection that the "Nationalist" Government at Hankow so often boasts that it can and will give to foreigners is obtained from the experiences of a gentleman who has just come to Shanghai from that town, says the *N. C. Daily News*. Mr. Stanley, the man in question, an American, has been running a motor repair shop and engineering works, employing about 25 Chinese workmen. Some weeks ago, realizing that Hankow under "Nationalist" control was "done for," he decided that it was better to get out with a little now than wait till it was a case of getting out with nothing. He, therefore, sold his business, gave his workmen six weeks' notice and a month's bonus and announced an auction of his remaining things.

The Union's Demands.

Then intervened the union and demanded that he must give his workmen six months' pay besides a month's wages cum bonus as he would not be stopping on in Hankow till next China New Year. Alternatively his place would be picketed and no auction allowed. A deputation called on Mr. Stanley to press these terms, whom he invited, curtly, to talk sense. He then laid the matter before the American Consul, who immediately rang up the "Nationalist" headquarters. From here the answer came that they must "investigate." Knowing exactly what this meant, the Consul replied that there was no need to investigate; the facts were as he had given them; Mr. Stanley's auction was at that moment going on; and if the Chinese authorities would not protect it, he would do so himself.

Pickets Driven Off.

This threat brought an immediate promise of some police. But in the meantime Mr. Stanley's men, who had gradually reduced their claim to three months' wages, put on the pickets in earnest. No one who bought anything at the auction, could get it away. Again the Consul's aid was sought and this time some soldiers were sent. The soldiers do not love the pickets, complaining that they themselves do all the fighting and the labour unions then come in and clean up all the money; so the pickets were driven off and the auction ended in peace.

Thereupon Mr. Stanley's men, seeing that their bluster was futile, expressed their readiness to be content with the bonus given them and dropped all other demands.

Filthy State of Concession.

Mr. Stanley says that the British Concession, since the "Nationalists" stole it, has become a travesty of its former self. The streets are utterly filthy, Chinese coolies behave themselves exactly as they please (it is unnecessary to particularize) and there is no street cleaning. And in spite of that so loudly promised "protection," it is not safe for British subjects to leave the vicinity of the river and they may only live on the Bund or in the A.P.C. building.

OBITUARY.

AMERICA'S COMMUNIST CHIEF.

Chicago, Mar. 2.

The death has occurred here of Mr. Charles Ruthenberg, the General Secretary of the Workers' Party (a Communist organisation of the United States), who was the virtual chief of the Communist in China.—*Reuter's American Service.*

SHANGHAI EXECUTION SQUAD.

HEAVY TOLL IN NATIVE CITY.

NO MERCY SHOWN.

The ghastly work of the executioner decorates telegraph poles and posts at the gates of the Chinese city, says the *Shanghai Times*.

General Li Pao-chang, Defence Commissioner of Shanghai, is maintaining order in the territory he controls in a very stern manner. More than a score of heads were cut off during the first four days of the general strike.

These heads in little wooden cages are to be seen at various points in the native city, hung up for public gaze at the spot where they were taken off by the executioner's squad which regularly patrols the city streets looking for people who contravene General Li's order that no agitation or strike-making shall proceed within his territory.

The squad, which comprises the executioner and soldiers of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's 9th division, patrols the city in an armoured car. The squad has arrested suspected agitators and strike leaders and executed them on the spot without giving them a trial.

Three Chinese were arrested at West Gate on a recent Sunday. Two were beheaded on the spot and their heads hung up for inspection. The third, a Tramways employee, was shot and his body taken away. Four Chinese were beheaded at Nantao, one of them being an employee of the B.A.T. Two men were arrested and beheaded at Pootung. In two cases men were arrested and beheaded in the early hours of the morning and their exhibited heads told the tale to passers-by next morning.

Two Chinese, apparently students, were arrested for distributing literature on Brennan Road and were executed on the spot.

SERIOUS INDIAN AFFAIR.

SIXTY MAHOMEDANS KILLED AND WOUNDED.

Calcutta, March 2.

Twenty Mahomedans were killed and 40 wounded as the result of firing which was ordered by the District Magistrate of the Backergunge District, at Ponabalia, a village about 200 miles from Calcutta.

It is reported that Hindus took out a religious procession to the accompaniment of music on the occasion of the Shivratri Festival. When they approached a Mosque some Mahomedans resisted, but the Magistrate persuaded them to disperse. But the Mahomedans soon returned at the instigation of their religious Head, and defied the Magistrate. They attacked the Magistrate and Superintendent of Police with a spear, whereupon, finding that the situation was getting out of control, the Magistrate ordered the firing.—*Reuter.*

U. S. NAVAL BILL.

SIGNED BY PRESIDENT.

Washington, March 2.

President Coolidge has signed the Naval Bill, thereby incidentally assenting to the appropriation for three new cruisers, which Congress had inserted in the Bill against the President's wishes.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Later.

It is emphasised at White House that while President Coolidge has not changed his mind with regard to the advisability of building the three new cruisers, had the Naval Bill been vetoed, the Navy Department would have been entirely without funds.—*Reuter's American Service.*

REDS RAMPANT.

SOLDIERS SEIZE PROPERTY.

LABOUR LEADER FORTUNES.

Reports coming from the interior of Kiangsi province (says a Kiukiang correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News*) show that Bolshevism is rampant and, though mainly directed against the British, that all nationalities are suffering from it. The movement is also markedly anti-Christian. Mission properties, with a fine lack of regard for nationalities, have been seized everywhere. The schools and houses are used as billets for troops, generally officers and quite often Russians. The halls and churches are used for meetings and propaganda.

An arrangement has been made by the Roman Catholics under which they are permitted to make use of their churches up to 8 a.m. every day. After that time the churches are occupied by the Nationalists, the Political Bureau representatives, the Labour Unions or mere coolies, at their convenience. Even in Kiukiang native city all the American mission properties have been seized and occupied by troops, though in a number of them the American missionaries continue to live cheek by jowl with the troops.

Nationalist "Protection."

The Chinese agents of British merchants have been put to every sort of indignity. In some places they have been cast in prison for being "running dogs of the British Imperialists" by the magistrates themselves of the Nationalist Government. In other places they have been fined large sums of money, runnng into many thousands of dollars, for the same reason and again by the magistrates themselves of the Nationalist Government. The magistrates have even issued receipts for the monies so extorted.

This is the sort of "protection" which British trade is to have from Mr. Eugene Chen's "modern" government. The extortion is generally made on the excuse of the necessity of finding funds for the military expenses of the Northern expedition, of the Nationalist Government and thus a direct attempt is made to saddle British trade with the cost of that expedition.

In other places agents have been seized for the same reason by the labour unions, and with their hands tied behind their backs have been led through the Chinese streets to be mocked at by the small boys and prostitutes. Venerable men, grey-haired, respected members of Chinese Chambers of Commerce, have been so treated. Almost everywhere, if British goods have not been actually seized and burnt, they have been sealed in their godowns and their sale forbidden.

Labour Unions' Thefts.

On at least one occasion, where the goods were officially reported to have been burnt by the boycott committee, it has been established that actually the goods were removed and sold for the benefit of the labour union and afterwards the empty godown was burnt as a blind.

It is thus that the labour unions come by their ill-gotten gains. And every foreigner should remember that every Labour Union is affiliated to the General Labour Union and that the General Labour Union is a branch of the Political Bureau and is officered by members of the Political Bureau, which in turn is a branch of the Nationalist Government, so that that Government is directly responsible for the excesses carried out in the name of the unions.

The hulks are now opened daily and will soon be emptied of their cargoes. There are about 1,000 members of the coolies' union who between them share the work at the five hulks, belonging to the Ningshao Steamship Co., the China Merchants Co., Messrs. B. (Continued on page 12.)

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DEFENCE OF SHANGHAI.**BRITISH TROOPS TAKE UP LINE.**

Judged by past experience the position of Shanghai was likely to be distinctly uncomfortable yesterday, says the N. C. D. News of February 28. It was known on Thursday night that there were many deserters from Sun Chuan-fang's army, and they were reported to be within 12 miles of the Settlement. Accordingly the Gloucesters were instructed by the Brigade Commander to stand by on Thursday night, and it was decided that a defensive position should be taken up yesterday morning by the troops. Fortunately, however, their services were not required.

The line for the defence of the Settlement had for its boundary the Soochow Creek on the north. Then it ran south along the line of the railway towards Yuyuen Road, and so to the French Concession. A certain amount of barbed wire had already been put up in this vicinity, and additional work was carried out in this respect during the day, although it was interfered with by the rain. The Gloucesters were on the right of the line and then came the two Punjabi Regiments, while the Durhams and Suffolks were held in reserve.

Troops for the defence line moved from their billets immediately after breakfast, and the two Punjabi battalions had a march of over seven miles. With their mules carrying the transport and machine guns they passed along Bubbling Well Road towards 10 a.m., and they immediately took up position. It is understood that various mills and other institutions in the district affected had indicated their willingness to afford accommodation to the troops, but in practice this did not work out satisfactorily. A great many of the troops, however, found accommodation in the Kung Yik mill, and efforts were made to improve quarters elsewhere. Jessfield Park was in a state of great activity, accommodation for another 1,000 men being taken in hand.

As a matter of fact the rain, while causing the greatest discomfort to the troops, ensured their being but little disturbed by the expected refugee soldiers from Sun Chuan-fang's army. Everybody except the Shanghai Defence Force seemed to have gone under cover, and only four stragglers from Marshal Sun's army were dealt with. Two of these were deserters and two men who had been wounded.

The Artillery.

The movement of the Shanghai Defence Force to the west of the Settlement made an interesting diversion to those who had to be about yesterday forenoon in spite of the rain. While the pack battery with its mules carrying the parts of the 3.7 inch howitzers moved off early in the morning, the section of the 6-inch howitzer battery which was landed from the Rohm only two days ago, did not appear in the central district until about 11 a.m. Then the most interesting sight so far afforded by the Shanghai Defence Force was seen. First came the tractor, wheels inside its caterpillar, apparently going round at an enormous rate and the whole thing keeping up a speed of about four miles an hour. Hitched on to it was the ammunition wagon, also on a caterpillar, and carrying some 60 shells and the gun's crew, and then the six-inch howitzer itself—a thing of beauty from the artillery point of view but hardly so pleasant from the other standpoint. The guns went along the Bund some distance south of Nanjing Road and then turned about and carried on up the Malao. The handling of these gun trains excited intense admiration, the drivers apparently hav-

WEDDING.**TAGGART-TURNER.**

The following report of the wedding of Mr. J. H. Taggart is taken from the Shanghai Times of February 23:

The marriage was solemnized yesterday afternoon at St. Joseph's Church of Mr. James Harper Taggart, Chairman and Managing Director of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels Ltd., and Mrs. Mary Turner, nee Bowen, of San Francisco. Rev. Father MacDonald performed the ceremony. The bride who was given away by Mr. P. W. Massey, wore a beautiful gown of pleated flesh coloured chiffon under an exquisitely embroidered chiton cape, and carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley. Mrs. E. Wedding Skinner, who was matron of honour, wore pale lavender beaded georgette, and Mrs. Maurice Benjamin, in whose name invitations to the wedding were issued, wore a charming gown of pale champagne coloured chiffon. Miss Patricia Turner, daughter of the bride, acted as flower girl, Miss Isabel Lawson was ring bearer.

Mr. V.W.G. Smith was best man, and Messrs. H.O. Waser and F. Ross performed the duties of ushers. As the bride entered the church the Wedding March from Lohengrin was played, and during the service "Ave Maria" was rendered by Mr. Scott. Mendelssohn's Wedding March was played as the bridal procession left.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the Majestic Hotel where a beautiful floral scheme had been carried out. Mr. and Mrs. Taggart will leave for their wedding trip to Repulse Bay, Hongkong, by the President Taft, the bride's going away toilette consisting of a red chenille velvet ensemble, the coat richly trimmed with fur, and a small hat to match.

It was decided that this heavy artillery would not be required, and as a result the two guns returned to Yangtzepoo. The pack battery, however, proceeded to Yuyuen Road, where the personnel were billeted in the Public School for girls.

U. S. Marines.

The U. S. S. Chaumont arrived in Shanghai with a strong American detachment of marines last Thursday, after making a record trip across the Pacific of nineteen steaming days. The unit consists of two battalions of American marines, many of whom saw service in the Great War. The commanding officer is Col. Charles S. Hill, a veteran of the Great War, and one of the highest ranking officers in the Corps. Second in command is Lieut. Col. F. D. Kilgore. Major T. A. Sacer has charge of the first battalion and Major Van de Grift the second.

The detachment is from San Diego and in addition to their excellent fighting record, have a first class football aggregation. They also have several fine baseball players, boxers and basketball teams. Shore leave was granted on arrival to several hundreds, and the men created a very favourable impression in their green uniforms.

The U.S. Marine Corps sets a higher standard of enlistment than either of the other branches of the Government service, and most of the latest arrivals are in the region of six feet in height. They will remain on the transport Chaumont, and will not be billeted in town.

COASTAL PAY.**ACTION CONSIDERED BY MERCHANT SERVICE GUILD.**

The secretary of the Imperial Merchant Service Guild has received an interesting communication from Mr. W. E. Kirby, secretary of the China Coast Officers Guild, Shanghai, says a Home Journal, in which certain matters of importance to members of the profession out there are touched upon. Amongst the enclosures in the letter were cuttings from local newspapers giving a full account of the inquiry into the loss of the steamer Lien Shing on the Amherst Rocks on Sunday, December 5th last. Captain J. V. Simpson of this ship was a member of the Imperial Guild, and was represented by the solicitors in Shanghai. He was exonerated from all blame, but the second officer, who was on watch at the time of the disaster, had his certificate suspended for 12 months.

As regards the proposed reductions in the rates of pay of masters and officers in one of the principal coast companies as the result of further negotiations between the local guild and the company, the latter have deferred bringing into operation the deduction for the time being. The matter, however, will be reconsidered, in the light of the position as it then stands, again towards the end of March.

The local guild has resisted very strongly the reductions on the grounds of the recent further fall in exchange, increases in the local cost of living, the extraordinary risks from civil war and piracy, and other factors in connexion with the shipping position as they stood at that time.

Mr. Kirby informs the secretary that he has received a further cheque for 1,000 dollars from the stewards of the Shanghai Race Club as a donation to the Mercantile Marine Masters' and Officers' Relief Fund, which amount he was remitting to the fund's headquarters in London. It may be mentioned that the Shanghai Race Club has contributed most generously towards this fund for some considerable time past, and all concerned are greatly indebted to them, as well as to the China Coast Officers' Guild, for their kind remembrance in this way of Merchant Service Officers in distress in this country, arising out of long periods of unemployment.

CHINA STATION.**LATEST APPOINTMENTS.**

Jan. 28.—Surgn. Lieut.-Commr. H. Hurst, to Tamar, addl. (Jan. 31), and for R.N. Hosp., Hongkong (on joining); and E. B. Kelley, M.B., to Tamar, addl. (Jan. 31), and for R.N. Hosp., Hongkong (from date of joining).

Feb. 2.—Lieutenant Commander N. M. Bird to Danae, Feb. 4, to take passage and do duty in Yarmouth; Lieutenant Commander G. T. Lanyon to Dragon, on arrival on station; Lieutenant Commander R. L. Moore to Yarmouth, on relief; Engineer Commander G. Bevis to Hermes, on relief; Flying Officer E. A. H. Fisher to Argus, 26/1/27.

Feb. 5.—Capt. L. W. Braithwaite C.M.G., to Hawkins, in command, and as Flag Captain and Chief of Staff to Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Y. Tyrwhitt, as Commodore 2nd class (Feb. 1).

Lieut.-Commr.—S. St. C. Ingham, to Moorhen, addl. (Feb. 4), and in command (undated), previous orders cancelled; Payr. Commr. L. R. Barker, to Tamar (April 10); Payr. Lieut.—A. L. Craig-Jefferys, to Hawkins, addl. temp., for duty in Admiral's office (on relief); Payr. Sub-Lieut.—G. F. Franklin, to Hawkins, addl. temp., for duty in Admiral's office (on relief).



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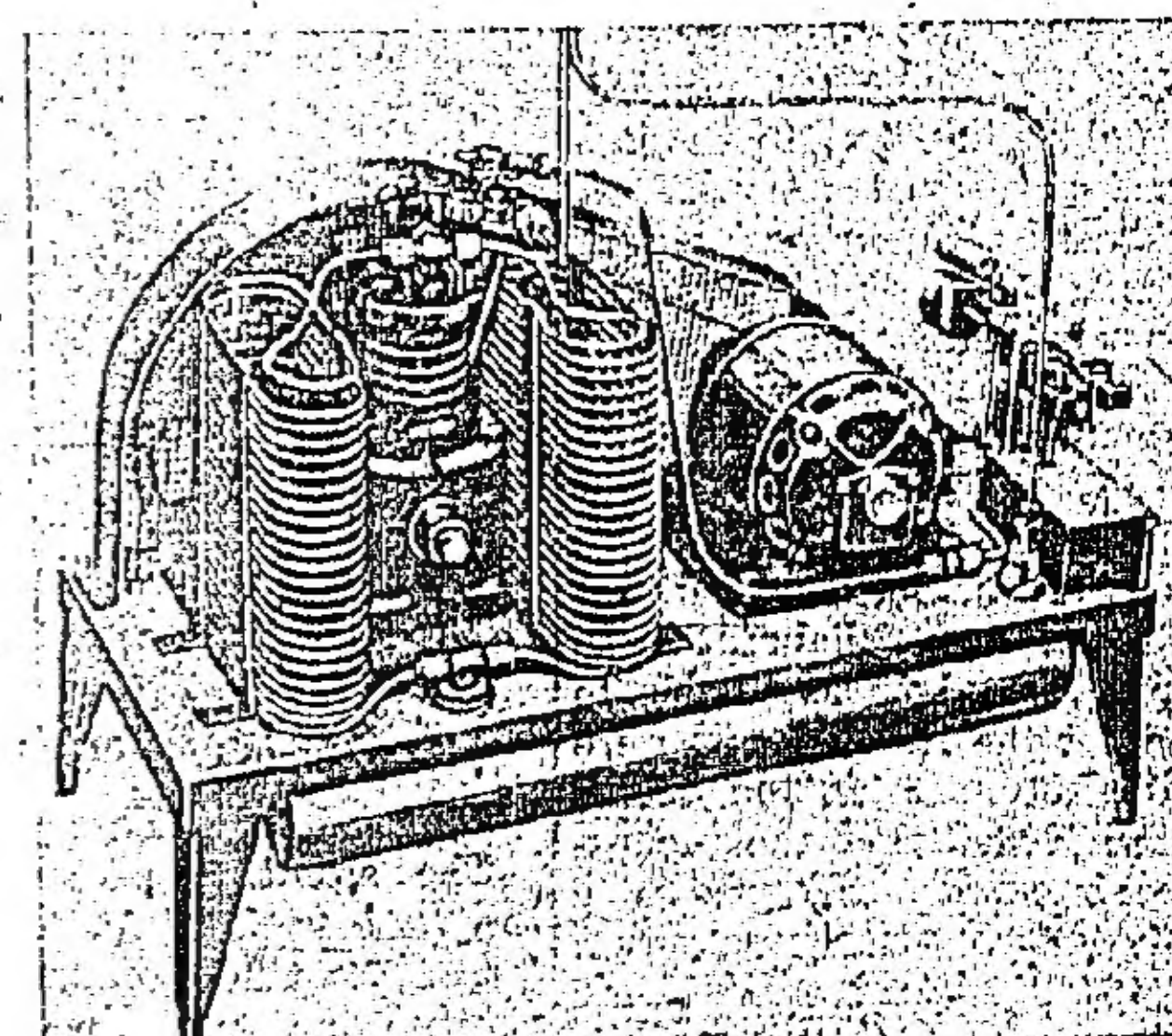
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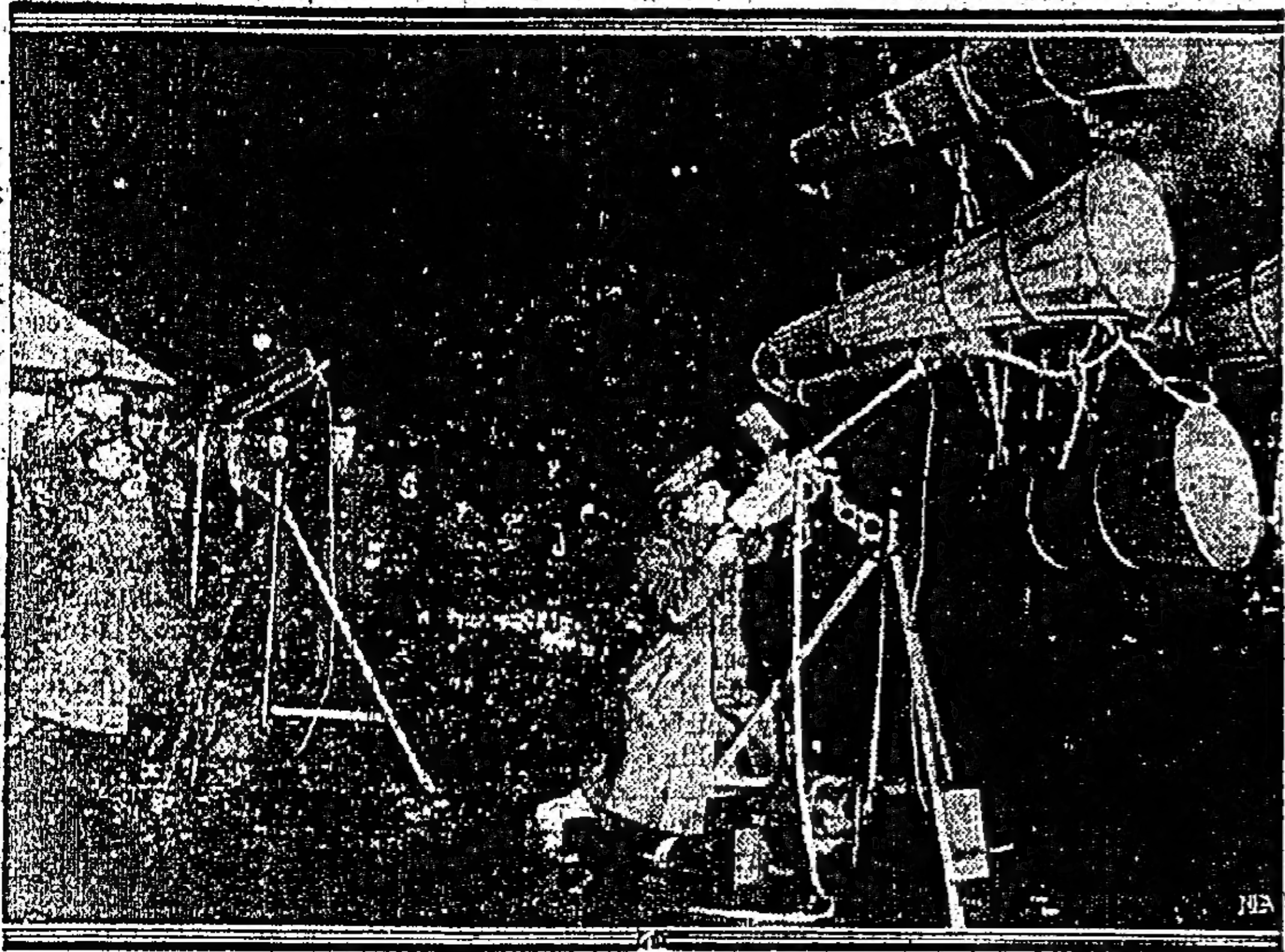
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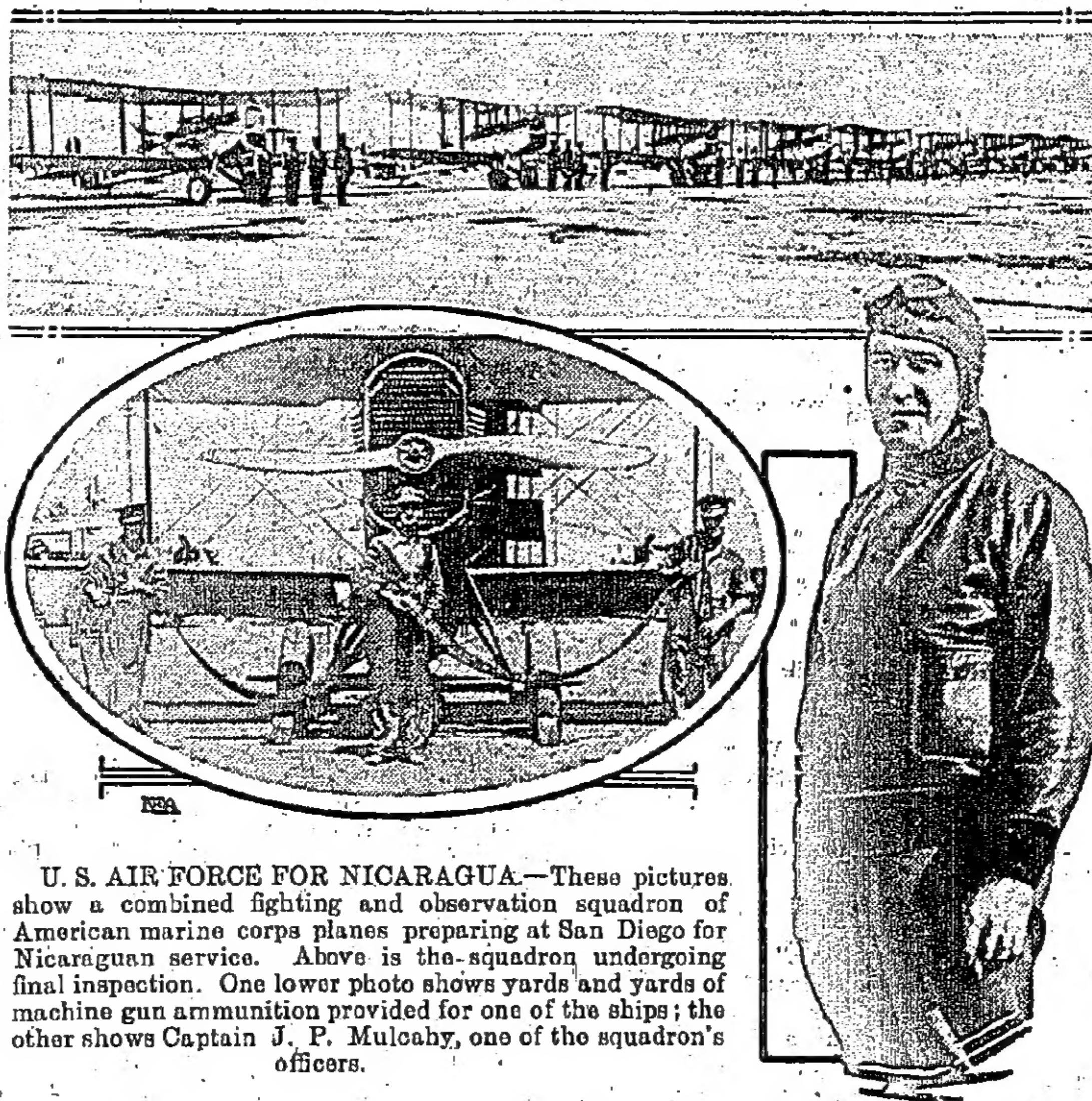
WARM WELCOME FOR AERIAL VISITORS.—"Enemy" planes which came to "bomb" Manhattan Island recently were hotly received by the anti-aircraft men of the 62nd Regiment. Microphonic detectors, seen at the right, warned of the approach of the planes and while searchlights held them in intersecting beams, machine guns played on them from Union Square. Blank ammunition prevented casualties.



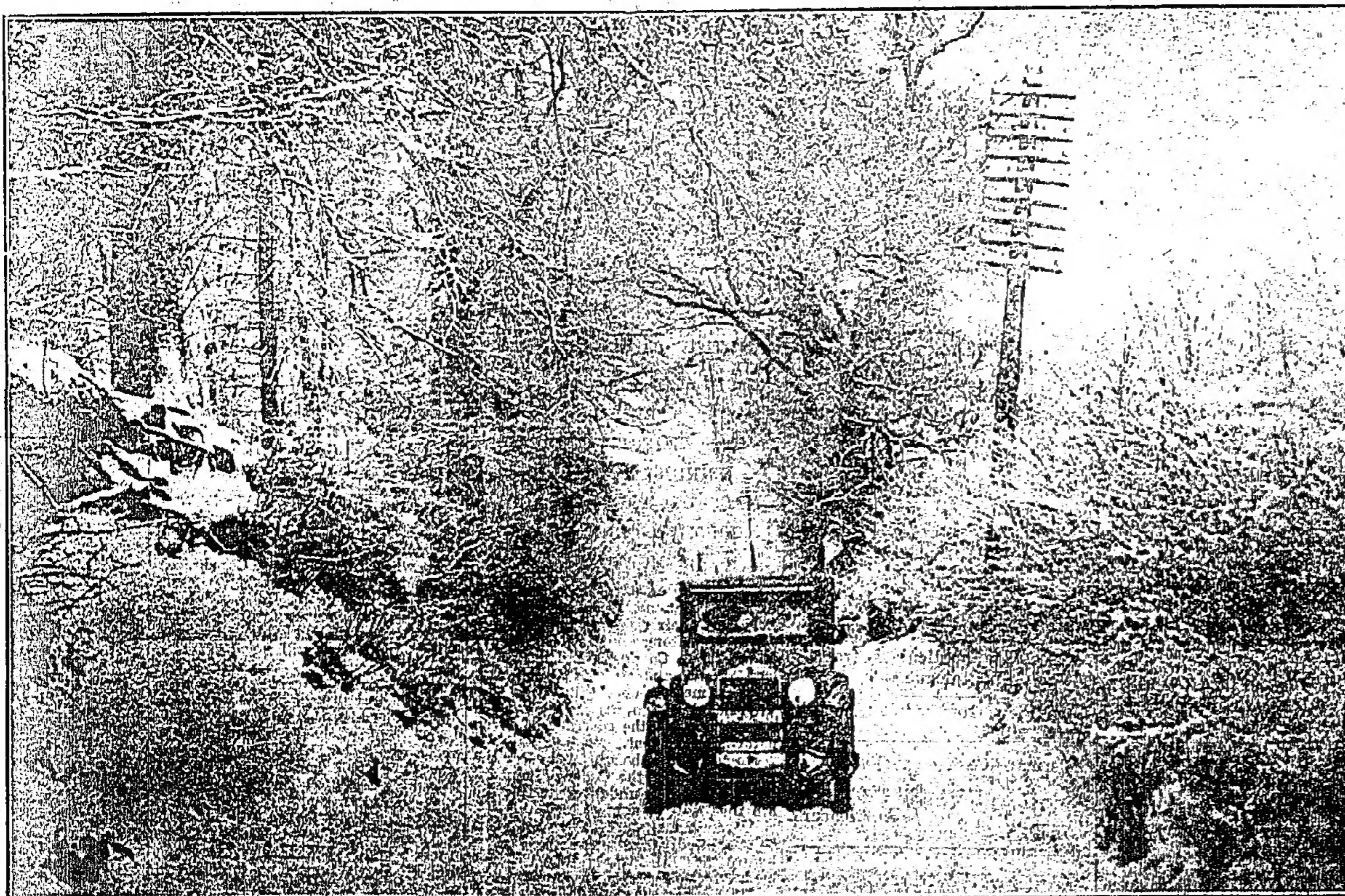
TITLED SKI ARTIST.—The Marquis Nicholas Albizzi, of the Italian Army, is here shown regaling winter sport lovers at Lake Placid, New York, with a spectacular leaping turn.



TO EXPLORE ARCTIC.—John Borden, millionaire explorer and hunter of Chicago, is getting ready for third trip into the Arctic. He will take a group of society folk along. Mrs. Borden is pictured ready to christen the schooner Northern Light, the ship on which the trip will be made. The Northern Light was built at Oakland, California.

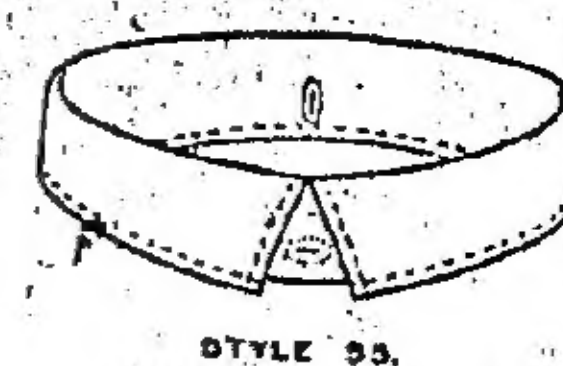


U. S. AIR FORCE FOR NICARAGUA.—These pictures show a combined fighting and observation squadron of American marine corps planes preparing at San Diego for Nicaraguan service. Above is the squadron undergoing final inspection. One lower photo shows yards and yards of machine gun ammunition provided for one of the ships; the other shows Captain J. P. Mulcahy, one of the squadron's officers.

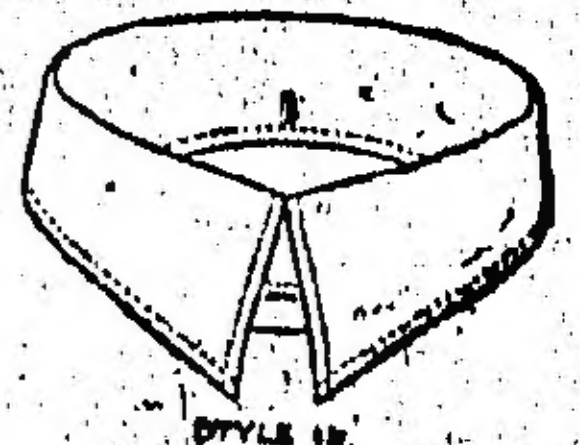


SNOW IN ENGLAND.—A Buckinghamshire lane near Wendover, transformed by the snowfall. The severity of the weather is shown by the snow on the windscreen and lamps of the motor-car. (Times copyright)

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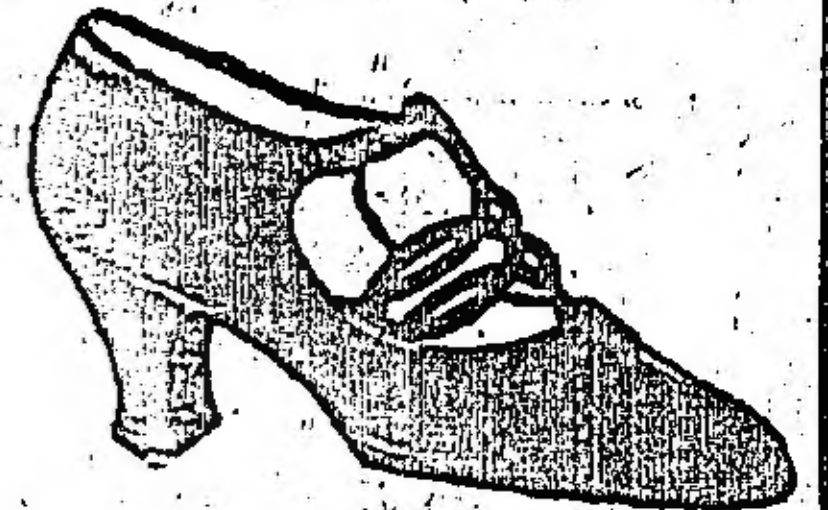
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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

We have this day removed our Currier and Blackwood Shop to St. George's Building, Tee House Street.

KWONG SANG.

Hongkong, March 1st, 1927.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

TUITION.

ENGLISH LADY, experienced teacher, with knowledge of Chinese, has vacancy for pupil from 9.30 to 10.30 each morning. Advanced or elementary English. Would be willing to form class of two or three pupils. Particulars from Box No. 164, care of "Hongkong Telegraph."

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of shareholders of The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong), on FRIDAY, the 4th day of March 1927, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December 1926, confirming the appointment of Directors and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

By Order of the Board,

C. G. COPLEY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th Feb., 1927.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING 1927.

23th February, 1st, 2nd, and 5th March.

MEMBERS' BADGES.

Members' Badges of Admission are now ready and may be obtained by those Members, who have not already received them, from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Members are reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the Extra Race Meetings of this year.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of introducing two non-members to the Members' Enclosure.

A limited number of tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before Saturday, February 26th, 1927, at a cost of \$10- each per day or \$30- for the Meeting.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$4- per day—Each member can obtain upon application, to the Secretary, badges for the admission of two Ladies free of charge. On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first three days racing.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure, price \$3- per day, for all persons including Ladies, may be purchased from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., or at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1- per day.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Employers are requested to distribute them, with discrimination, and to endorse their names on the passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their employers' stands.

Any persons found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

G. R. NOTICE.

The Institute will re-open on TUESDAY, March 1st. Students Joining Classes held at Queen's College will be enrolled at the Education Department only; (First Brigade Station Building, 3rd floor) those Joining Classes held at The Central British School, Kowloon, may be enrolled at that school.

Entry forms may be obtained at the Education Department or at the Central British School.

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By Order,

of the Court of Directors,

A. H. BARLOW, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 26th Feb., 1927.

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

SIXTH TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

SATURDAY, 5th March, at 9.15 p.m.

at the THEATRE ROYAL.

MAIN EVENT.

15 Round Contest for Weltweight Championship of the Colony.

Stoker "Norman Morris" H.M.S. "Hermes" v. A. B. Dixon H.M.S. "Frobisher."

Booking at Moutries: Members—2nd and 3rd March; General Public—4th and 5th March.

USUAL PRICES.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty-Eighth Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on SATURDAY, 5th March, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1926, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 21st February to 5th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order

of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th Feb., 1927.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

The undermentioned Certificates for Shares in this Company have been declared LOST and if at the expiration of ONE MONTH from the date hereof the documents are not forthcoming the said Certificates will be deemed CANCELLED and of no effect and new Certificates will be issued by the Company.

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Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1927.

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from E. A. Ram, Esq., to sell by Public Auction,

TO-DAY.

the 3rd March, 1927,

commencing at 2.45 p.m.

At "The Cottage" Barker Road, No. 452, The Peak.

A Large Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

comprising:—

Teak Hatstand, Chesterfield Couch and Chairs, Glass Cabinets, Leather Seat Chairs, Carpets, Pictures and Electric Fittings, etc.

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and

A Quantity of Blackwood Ware, Curries, Chinese Porcelains, Japanese Prints and Old Chinese Pictures, etc., etc.

On View from Wednesday, the 2nd March, 1927.

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on SATURDAY,

the 5th March, 1927,

commencing at 11 a.m.

at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

3 Cases Wooden Shoe Stretchers.

30 Cases Cantharides.

6 Bales Newspapers.

1 Case Glass Ware.

1 Case Porcelain Figures.

1 Case Yarn.

1 Case Neck Ties, Links, Studs, etc.

32 Rolls Insulating Paper.

24 Rolls Denuding Felt.

11 Drums Cell.

9 Drums Fishm.

9 Bales Leather.

and

A Quantity of Provisions and Sundries.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from the Belgian Consul to sell by Public Auction,

on MONDAY,

the 7th March, 1927,

commencing at 2.45 p.m.

at No. 5, Macdonnell Road.

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

comprising:—

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The fortieth annual report of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company, as submitted to policyholders and shareholders at the annual meeting recently, indicates a year of marked expansion.

Another record in new assurances was established. The new business for 1926 amounted to \$70,630,396, bringing the insurance in force at December 31st, 1926, to \$361,166,647.

The assets of the Company increased by seven and three-quarter million dollars, and at the end of December reached the large sum of \$67,643,709. Of this amount nearly thirty-two million dollars is invested in Government, Government Guaranteed and Municipal Bonds. First mortgages on improved real estate comprises nearly thirteen million dollars.

The payments to policyholders also constituted a record. Death claims amounted to \$2,169,421; matured policies, annuities, etc., \$2,720,951, and dividends to policyholders \$1,327,787. Payments to policyholders totalled almost twice the sum paid beneficiaries under death claims. In addition to the above, the Company set aside \$1,638,081 as dividends to policyholders to be paid during 1927.

Surplus earnings in 1926 were very satisfactory and have made possible a further increase in the scale of dividends payable to policyholders.

CHINA COAST OFFICERS.

THE LATEST CHANGES.

Captain T. W. Pickard, of the Wenchow, is on reserve. Captain J. Legge, from Home leave, has gone master, Wenchow.

Mr. A. Cook, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, Fengtien.

Captain E. M. Gellie, from reserve, has gone master, Ningpo.

Mr. D. Jenson, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, Whangpu.

Mr. W. H. Scurr, sup's third engineer, Linan, has gone third engineer, Linan.

Mr. W. R. Woodman, from reserve, has gone acting second engineer, Shinkiang.

Mr. A. D. Armour, second engineer, Shinkiang, has gone sup's second engineer, Kiangsu.

Mr. C. N. Flood, sup's chief engineer, Kweichow, has gone sup's chief engineer, Luchow.

Mr. W. Nibbel, sup's chief engineer, Kiating, has gone sup's chief engineer, Sunning.

Mr. E. Gostling, chief officer, Kutwo, is on Home leave. Mr. J. H. Davey, sup's chief officer, Siangwo, has gone chief officer, Kutwo.

Mr. A. E. Smith has been appointed second officer, Siangwo.

Mr. J. McTavish, second engineer, Yunnan, is on Home leave.

Mr. A. T. Perry, from Home leave, has gone chief engineer, Tuckwo. Mr. D. Smith, chief engineer, Tuckwo, is on reserve.

Mr. J. Fry, second engineer, Foo-shing, is on reserve.

Mr. W. I. Hamilton, from Home leave, has gone second engineer, Yunnan.

Mr. J. A. Thom, acting second engineer, Kutwo, has gone acting second engineer, Leesang. Mr. A. M. Maloney, second engineer, Leesang, is on reserve.

Mr. A. Robertson has been appointed sup's second officer, Hopsang-Shipping and Engineering.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday and Friday between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th March will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 18th inst. or they will not be recognized.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bill of Lading will be countersigned by.

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Hongkong, March 2, 1927.

MINING DISASTER.

FEARED DEATH ROLL OF FIFTY-TWO.

London, Mar. 2.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, President of the Board of Trade, stated in the House of Commons that there was no possibility of any more men being rescued alive from the Cwm mine. Exploration showed that the "black vein seam" in which 28 men were entombed, was full of gas. He feared, therefore, that the total death roll would be 52.

The Premier's Sympathy.

Mr. Baldwin, the Premier, and Mrs. Baldwin visited Cwm today and were given a full account of the disaster and of the rescue operations. They visited several of the bereaved families. To the father of two young men who lost their lives—one in attempting to save the other—Mr. Baldwin said "I have come to see you as man to man. I have come not as Prime Minister, but as a man who wishes to express his sympathy for you."—British Wireless.

Miners Angry With Premier.

London, March 2.

Miners at Cwm Angri demonstrated against Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Baldwin who travelled from Cardiff on a sympathetic visit to the scene of the colliery disaster. Miners booed the Premier shouting "Why don't you go down the mine yourself?"—Reuter.

BRITAIN & NICARAGUA.

WARSHIP AS "BASE OF REFUGE."

London, Mar. 2.

Answering a number of questions regarding the steps to be taken to protect British interests in Nicaragua, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that on January 3rd Mr. Patterson, the British Charge d'Affaires at Managua, requested the United States' Minister to extend to British subjects the benefit of any measures taken by the United Government to protect United States citizens in Managua. On January 28th, an inquiry by the United States' Government, the British ambassador at Washington confirmed this request. On February 17th, Mr. Patterson telegraphed that conditions were very menacing and that the United States' Minister could give no guarantee for the safety of British lives and property in three of the principal towns. Under these circumstances, His Majesty's Government judged it their duty to order the warship "Colombo" to proceed at once to serve as a base of refuge for British refugees should the need arise.—British Wireless.

DEAD BODY IN SACK.

CHARGE OF DUMPING SON'S BODY.

An unusual case came up before Mr. K. E. Lindell this morning as a sequel to the arrest of a Chinese at Wanchai last night. It was alleged that, on meeting a Chinese constable in a dark alley at Wanchai, the arrested man threw down a sack from his shoulder and ran away. The sack was found to contain the dead body of a child, and the man admitted that it was his infant son, who had died from small-pox.

Inspector Blackman brought a charge of attempting to dump the remains without a permit from the Registrar of Births and Deaths, and in reply to this, the man stated that he was taking the body to the Mortuary.

His Worship observed that it was strange that the defendant should take a direction opposite to the Mortuary, if his statement were true. He remanded defendant until 3 p.m. to-morrow, allowing bail in the sum of \$100.

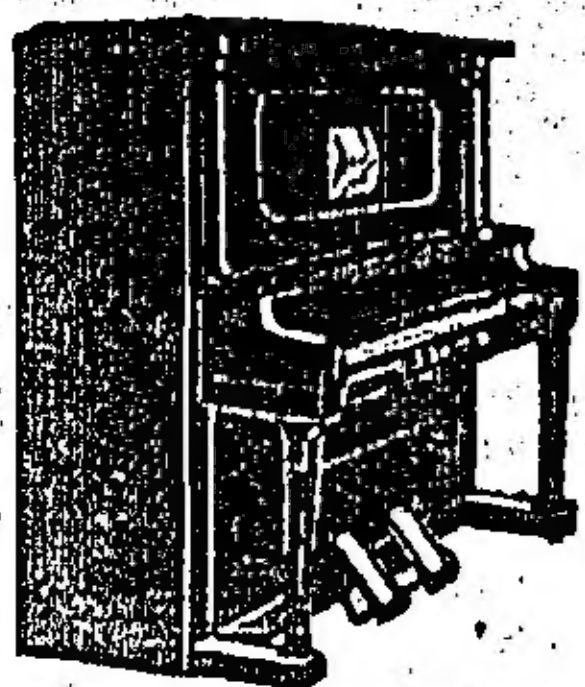
RECENT ROBBERY.

FOUR MEN CHARGED.

There was a sequel, at the Central Police Court this morning, to the armed robbery which occurred at No. 7, West Street, Quarry Bay, on the 19th February, four men being charged with being concerned therein.

It was stated by the police that none of the victims could or would identify the defendants, who were believed to be amongst the gang of six who carried out the robbery with daggers. They were charged with the actual commission of the crime on account of the discovery of part of the stolen property on two of them.

The case was remanded until Monday, at 2.15 p.m.

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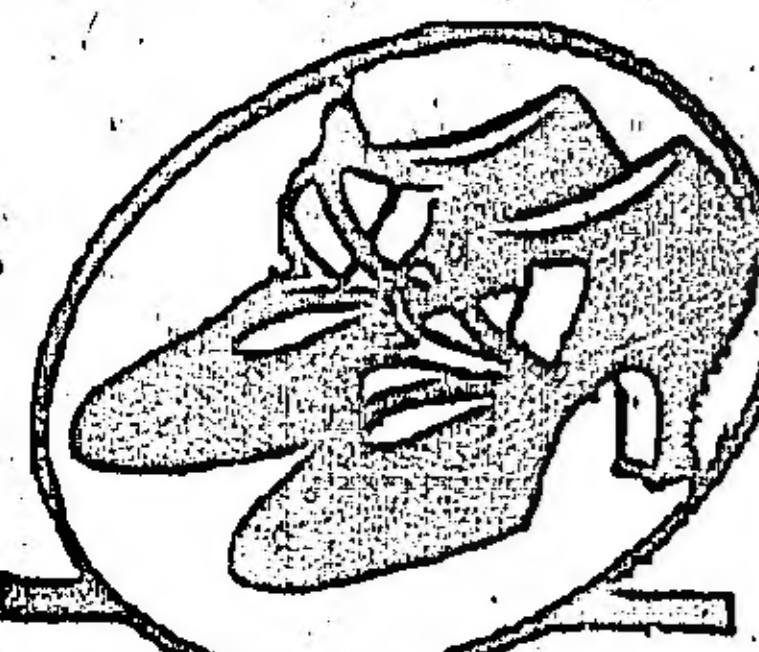
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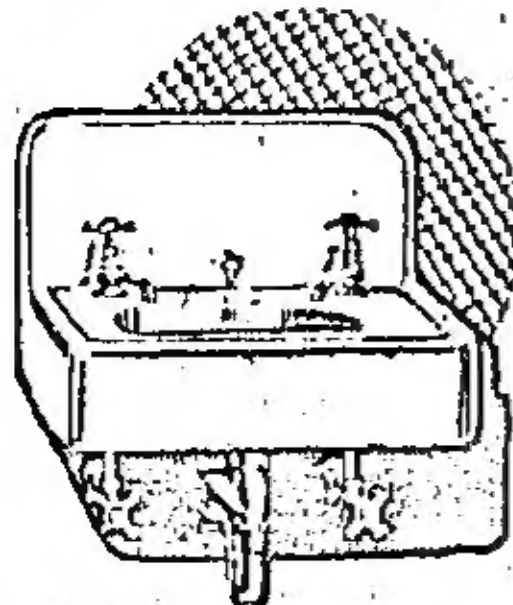
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HISTORIC DECISION.

A RICH TERRITORY.

London, March 2.
The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council have delivered their considered report on litigation of general historical interest and of particular practical importance to the Dominion of Canada and of the Colony of Newfoundland. The question for decision was what is the location and definition of the boundary in the Labrador Peninsula under Statutes and Orders in Council.

This has been in dispute for many years. The decision now given favours Newfoundland, which thus acquires about 120,000 square miles in Labrador. Although apparently forbidding and inaccessible this territory is rich in timber suitable for pulp and paper and has considerable water power.—*British Wireless.*

Definition of Word.

The case concerned the boundary in the Labrador Peninsula and largely hinged on the definition of the word "coast" as used in the early grants and maps.

Labrador was discovered by British fishermen in the reign of Queen Elizabeth and a British fishing colony was established on its coast. No claims to the interior country however appears to have been established. The first known charter it was argued during the hearing appears to be a charter granted in 1670 by Charles II to the Hudson Bay company. The company, however, confined its activities to the northern coasts while the French Government of New France appears to have remained in undisputed possession of the southern coast.

In 1760 the whole country became British soil by the conquest of Canada. Under the Treaty of Paris in 1763 frontiers were defined and the whole coast from St. John's River to the Hudson Straits were placed under the jurisdiction of Newfoundland but nothing was said about the interior. The situation remained thus until 1898 without attracting interest or attention.

Wood Pulp.

But in 1898 Newfoundland granted rights to commercial companies to develop timber and forestry in Labrador. Quebec took a sudden interest in this proceeding and challenged the right of Labrador to grant concessions, and went so far as to seize some of the logs. This led to a law suit which has been dragging through the courts ever since. The land in dispute constituted some 200,000 square miles, and relates to the land lying immediately to the west of a line drawn from Cape Chidley.

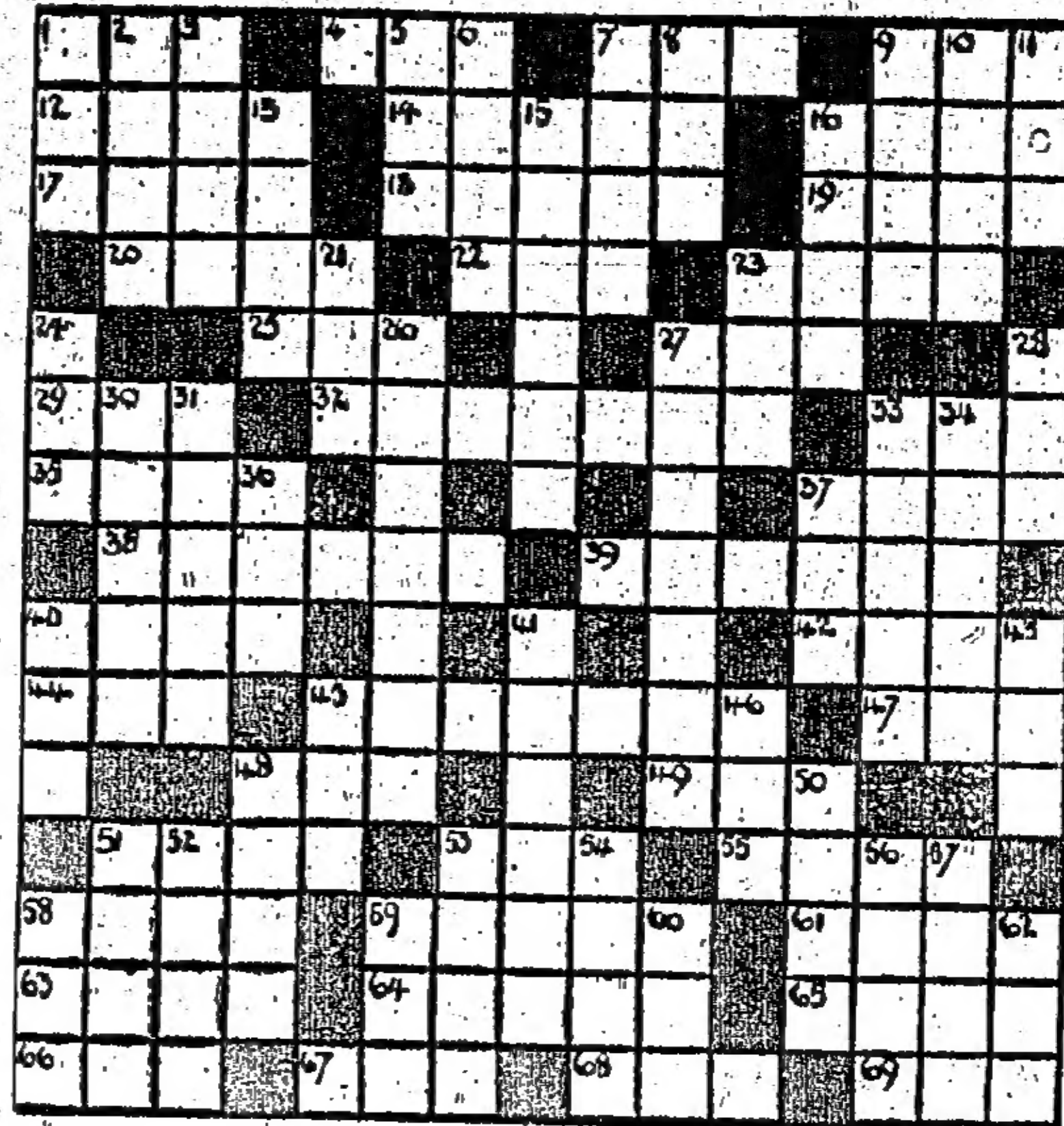
The case was heard by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Cave, with Lords Finlay, Haldane, Wallington and Sumner. The mass of documentary evidence introduced was the largest ever brought into an English court and the hearing before the Privy Council lasted approximately a month. Judgment was, on November 15, reserved, and has only now been given. That was the fourteenth sitting of the Committee.

The dispute between the two countries has been going on for over 20 years, and in connexion with it over £200,000 has been spent by the two Governments. To this has to be added the costs of the present proceedings, which are estimated to have reached a sum of £30,000. No fewer than ten eminent members of the Bar have been engaged in the case. The volumes containing the transcript of the short-hand notes of the hearing contained over a half a million words.

Sir John Simon, K.C., for Newfoundland, and Mr. H. P. Macmillan, K.C. (of the Scottish Bar), for Canada, each spoke for at least six days.

Mr. Macmillan concluded his final address by saying that Sir John Simon had spoken of the friendly relations between the two

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



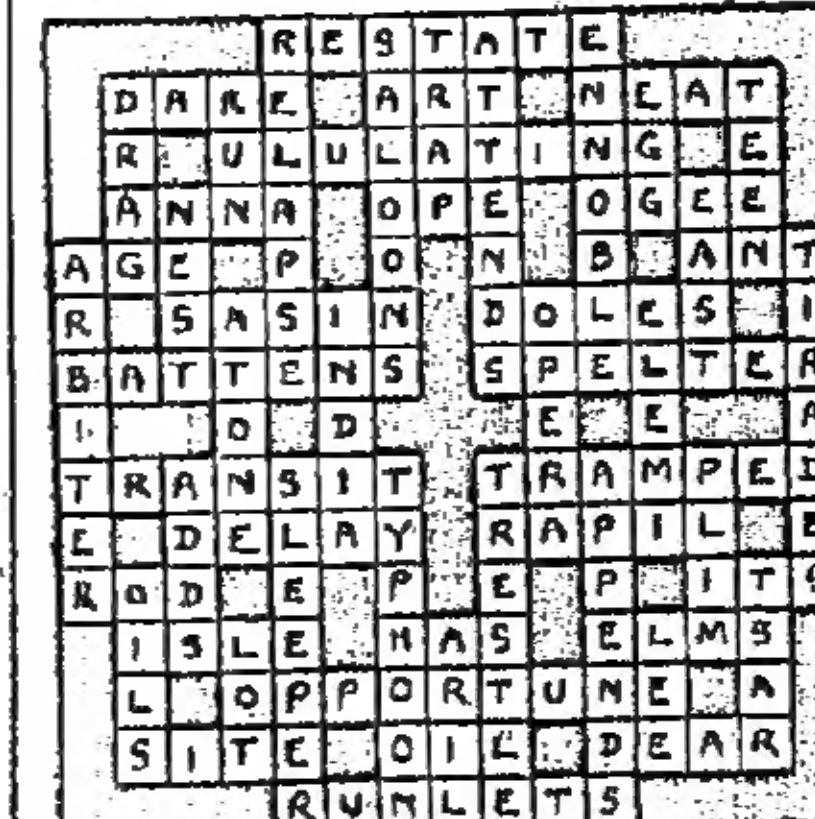
Across.

- 1 Made from fruit.
- 4 Summit.
- 7 Consume.
- 9 Certain tide.
- 12 Frank.
- 14 Kingly.
- 16 Joy.
- 17 Cut with the teeth.
- 18 Lost to the power of enjoyment.
- 19 Country road.
- 20 Look for.
- 22 Cook.
- 23 Ward off.
- 25 Achieved.
- 26 Moved quickly.
- 28 Organ of hearing.
- 29 Struck out.
- 31 Am able.
- 35 Puck.
- 37 Drug (Slang).
- 38 Belonging to the laity.
- 39 Have recourse.
- 40 Pastry.
- 42 High in stature.
- 44 Doll.
- 45 Contrary.
- 47 Solution of an alkali.
- 48 Fumble sheep.
- 49 Even.
- 51 Front.
- 53 However.
- 55 Home of a bird.
- 58 Atmosphere.
- 60 Mobster.
- 61 Pertaining to wings.
- 63 Insect.
- 64 Anoint with oil.
- 65 Implement with wooden or iron teeth.
- 66 Slimy fish.
- 67 Yes.
- 68 Guided.
- 69 Couch.

Down.

- 1 Piece of work undertaken.
- 2 Egyptian deity.
- 3 Measure out.
- 5 Sphere.
- 6 Riches.
- 7 Simple.
- 8 Beverage.
- 9 Unhesitating dash.

- 10 Make crooked.
- 11 Insect.
- 13 Requirements.
- 15 Apartment at the top of the house.
- 16 Dale.
- 21 Young goat.
- 23 Hobby (colloq.).
- 24 Affirmative.
- 26 Disturb.
- 27 Set free.
- 28 Single.
- 29 Book of maps.
- 30 Bellows.
- 33 Red substance found in the ocean.
- 34 Readily.
- 36 Wisdom.
- 37 Speck.
- 40 Game at marbles.
- 41 Shape.
- 43 Allow.
- 45 Dread.
- 46 Number.
- 48 Formerly.
- 50 Not distant.
- 51 Delicate.
- 52 Spoken.
- 53 Ruin.
- 54 Tax.
- 56 Table.
- 57 Carry off.
- 58 Fry.
- 59 Gulf.
- 60 Born.
- 62 Colour.



AVIATION.

LONG FLIGHT IN AUSTRALIA.

London, March 2.
A flight of about 2,000 miles has been made in Australia by Major Edward de Havilland, brother of the well-known aircraft designer of the De Havilland Moth light aeroplane, with a thirty horsepower Cirrus engine. He flew from Perth to Melbourne at an average speed of 70 miles an hour despite continuous head winds.

It is proposed shortly to establish an air service which will fly day and night between Adelaide and Perth, thus reducing the time between those two cities from five days to 24 hours.—*British Wireless.*

parties, and in these proceedings they had "striven mightily," as Shakespeare said, as adversaries at law, but they were prepared to eat and drink in amity. The judgment which the Committee would be called upon to announce would be a memorable one in the annals of the British Empire.

THE OIL SCANDALS.

HEAVY LOSS TO DOHENY.

Washington, Mar. 2.
It is estimated that M. Doheny, as the result of the Supreme Court verdict will lose \$21,687,000 nearly ten million of which is represented by cash held by the receivers who have operated the Elk Hills property during the litigation.—*Routledge's American Service.*

VISITING CADETS.

FRENCH MILITARY STUDENTS ENTERTAINED.

London, March 2.
The French cadets from Saint Cyr Military College, who are guests for a week at the Royal Military College at Sandhurst, visited Aldershot yesterday and saw a flying display by the Fourth Squadron of the Royal Air Force and a demonstration at the Army Gymnasium. They afterwards visited Windsor and Eton.—*British Wireless.*

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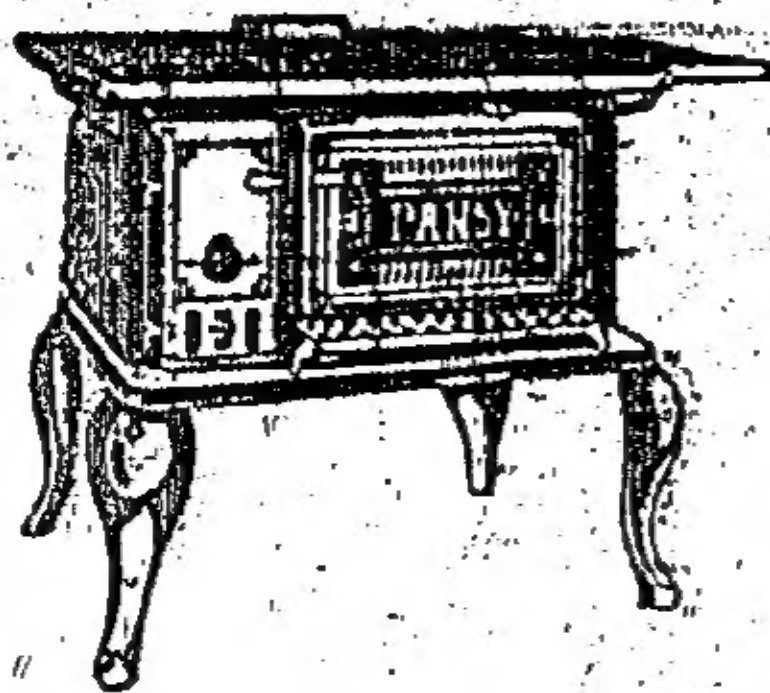
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THE TROUBLE- BREEDERS.

The secession of Dr. Haden Guest from the Labour Party, because of his disagreement with the mischievous activities of the more extreme elements therein on the China question, is a refreshing item of news. It shows that there are men of liberal and progressive ideas who are thoroughly at one with the Government in its policy and who wish to be in no way associated with the ultra-Socialists in their campaign of distortion and misrepresentation. Happily, the really prominent leaders of the Labour Party are men of sufficient sanity to possess a just appreciation of Britain's position vis-a-vis China, and any of the Chinese Nationalist extremists who have been hoping for a serious cleavage of opinion in British political circles on the China crisis have long since had it made clear to them by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and others that the Government can count on the official support of the Labour Party so long as Britain's policy continues along the lines so frequently expounded by Mr. Baldwin and Sir Austen Chamberlain.

Whilst, however, Labour in its official capacity is taking quite a sane and reasonable stand on the China question, it is a fact that there are men of the Left wing of the Party who are doing all they can to obstruct the Government and at the same time to give every encouragement to agitators in China. We have seen that again and again in the absurd criticisms of the Government's steps for the protection of British subjects in China, in the reckless talk of British "aggression" and in what the *Times* rightly describes as dangerous intrigue, with one particular Chinese faction. Under the encouragement of such individuals, there have sprung into being in England various organizations whose leaders profess to be serving the cause of Chinese freedom, but who are in reality engaged in a campaign of misinformation, apparently caring little for the mischief they are likely to cause by their extravagant talk. As an instance of this, we cite the statement just made by

the *Canton Gazette* that Colonel L'Estrange Malotie is "rendering excellent service to China as a speaker up and down the country." This gentleman, as has recently been explained, has already done a term of imprisonment for an act likely to lead to sedition. But he is only one of many other trouble-breeders who, with no first-hand knowledge of the matters on which they so glibly talk, are doing an immense amount of harm in England just now. They would, we venture to think, adopt a very different attitude if they had to face such howling mobs as British residents in Kiangsi and Hankow have had to do in relatively recent times.

It is bad enough when these agitators engage in their mischievous propaganda in England, where, happily, they are in a hopeless minority. But when they come East, as the notorious Mr. Tom Mann has done, and give the Chinese people a wholly false impression of British sentiment, it is a thousand times worse. Unhappily, the bulk of the people at home can have no conception of what Nationalist rule in China really means. But if Mr. Tom Mann is really an apostle of truth and justice, he can very easily ascertain for himself how hollow is the Nationalist talk of freedom and liberty. The merest analysis of the situation in Canton would give him startling facts which should quickly dispel the fancies under which he appears to be labouring.

The Mining Disaster.

It is little short of remarkable that, in view of the fact that mining accidents in Britain are, relatively speaking, a rare occurrence, there should have been two such serious happenings on one day as have been reported as occurring on Tuesday. The British record of coal mining accidents has, within recent years, been very gratifyingly low—much lower than is experienced in other coal-mining countries. It is well-known that the British regulations governing the manner and method of mining are of a stricter and sterner nature than those prevailing in most other countries, and the Government's inspectors are ever on the watch to see that those who follow the hazardous calling of mining are fully protected in every way possible. It was as far back as January 1918 that the last really disastrous coal mine accident took place, this being at a colliery near Hanley, Staffordshire, and by which 160 men lost their lives. Since that time there has been a general improvement in the supervision, and it says much for the skill of British mining engineers that they have managed to keep accidents down to so low a figure as recently, especially when it is borne in mind that many of the British workings are old and in soft and wet districts. We know that the sympathy, not only of all at home, but also of all Britishers in this Colony will go out to the bereaved wives and children and other relatives of the men who have lost their lives in the Ebbw Vale and Bilsyth disasters. Not only the shock of the news but the anxious and trying hours of "waiting while rescue parties are making their valiant effort below make a grim experience that instantly calls upon one's most sincere sympathy. During the recent prolonged coal strike there was not a little bitterness of feeling in some quarters against the miners for their obstinate refusal to talk terms—terms which meant reduction of pay and also longer underground hours. Perhaps, those who sided against the miners will, by this latest catastrophe, be brought to a vivid realization of the fact that mining is a hazardous calling indeed worthy of the very highest remuneration that can be afforded by the industry. For ourselves, we feel that wages as high as possible and hours as short as possible are only a fair offering to men whose daily avocations take them hundreds of feet underground to perils of which we above-ground workers are fortunately strangers.

Mr. Panhoo has assumed his new office as Commissioner of Public Works of Canton, vice Mr. Lam Yat-man who has resigned.

DAY BY DAY.

A WOMAN IS LIKE AN ARMY; SHE IS IRRETRIEVABLY LOST IF SHE HAS NO RESERVES.—Countess Vera de Tollyrand.

Amongst the passengers who arrived here by the s.s. President Lincoln were Mr. Eric Moller and Mr. S. J. Hicks.

Yesterday's health return shows three Chinese cases of small-pox and two cases of typhoid (one British and one Chinese).

The Royal Observatory's weather forecast up till noon to-morrow is:—"North" winds, moderate; overcast, some drizzle or mist."

The second number of *The Red Triangle*, the Kowloon Y.M.C.A. magazine, has made its appearance. It is full of interesting and chatty matter and includes some interesting sketches.

It is reported that Mr. J. H. B. Nihil has been offered a legal position in Mesopotamia and that his position as acting Puisne Judge in Hongkong will be taken by Mr. Philip Jacks.

The third organ recital in connection with the re-opening of the organ in St. John's Cathedral, will be given by Mr. Frederick Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L., to-morrow (Friday) at 6.45 p.m.

The Kowloon Football Club dance at Lane Crawford's Restaurant last night proved a thoroughly enjoyable and well-attended function. The Lyric Orchestra provided excellent music.

During the twenty-four hours ending at nine o'clock this morning, five British vessels arrived in port and four departed. Total arrivals were 17 and departures 11. The total number of vessels in harbour was 67.

The master of a coolie boat was fined \$5 or five days by Lieut. Commander G. F. Hole, at the Marine Court this morning, for carrying nine passengers in excess of the number allowed by his licence.

We have received from the Colonial Secretariat a copy of the Prospectus of the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture, Trinidad, for the year 1927-28, with which is included the Principal's Report for the year 1926-28.

As from Jan. 27 Captain R. H. T. Raikes, D.S.O., who has had two years in command of the China Submarine Flotilla, was relieved by Captain J. B. Glenister, D.S.O. The latter officer was appointed to the Distinguished Service Order in November, 1917, in recognition of good work in enemy waters.

Two women riding on a truck laden with sheet tin, were shaken from their seats by a sudden swerve of the vehicle, yesterday. One of them was caught under the metal as it fell to the ground, and received serious cuts in the legs. She was removed to Hospital.

The engagement is announced of the Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, of the Church Missionary Society, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Wittenbach, of Melbourne, to Miss H. G. Blanchett, elder daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. C. I. Blanchett, of the Church Missionary Society, Canton.

Passengers on the s.s. Macedonia include Miss Burt, Mr. A. Campbell, Mr. H. W. Crabb, Miss Dryburgh, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. W. Dorling and two infants, Mr. S. Hope, Mr. and Mrs. F. Lopez, Mr. E. Larmour, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lanyon, Mr. and Mrs. Milford and child, Mr. W. J. McNally, R.N., Mrs. North and infant, Miss Nettleship, Mrs. Poland, Mrs. Phyllis Poland, Mr. C. J. Pogson, Mr. R. L. Stewart, Mr. H. Selby, Mr. H. Sutton, Mr. O. J. Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Thorpe, Miss M. M. Turner.

Marble Hall, the palatial residence of Sir Ellis Kadoorie in the Great Western Road, at Shanghai, was opened as a canteen for British forces last week. At the official opening, attended by Sir Sidney Barton, C.M.G., and Lady Barton, by Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt, C.M.G., and Col. Commandant Sangster, C.M.G., D.S.O., more expressions of the community's wish to provide for the comfort of the Defence Forces were made. Sir Sidney Barton declared the canteen open. Admiral Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt then spoke a few words of appreciation for the work which Lady Barton and the ladies of the British community were doing to provide for the men's comfort.

AT THE RACES.

PICKPOCKETS SENTENCED THIS MORNING.

At the Races yesterday pickpockets and other members of the light-fingered gathered to reap a harvest, but at least three of them were caught by the plain-clothes men and watchmen posted on special duty by the police authorities.

When Chan Ho tried to steal an almost worthless cigarette holder from the pocket of a Chinese spectator, there was a watchman near at hand to catch him in the act.

Charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Central Police Court this morning, the arrested man asserted that the article was "planted" on him, and he was informed by His Worship that "it is a fine excuse, but does not help you any."

The watchman deposed that he "shadowed" the man for a quarter of an hour, being made suspicious by his previous actions.

The charge was found proved, and a sentence of four weeks' hard labour was inflicted.

Birch for Two Men.

Two men, who looked as if they might be father and son, were also caught at the Races in the act of stealing.

It was said in Court this morning by the two watchmen responsible for the arrest, that the men moved for half-an-hour amongst the spectators, obviously searching for ear-picks, hair-pins and other hair-ornaments. In due course, the elder of the two reached out for a child's wrist bangle, which he stole and passed behind to his mate. Both men were arrested.

The defendants disclaimed any knowledge of each other, but His Worship remarked that it was curious that both should hail from Yau-mat.

Both men were convicted. In the case of the first, a prison term of six months, and twenty-strokes of the birch were ordered, and in the case of the younger defendant, he was ordered to be detained for forty-eight hours, and to receive twenty strokes of the birch, also.

SHANGHAI SHELLING.

A DELIBERATE ATTACK?

Evidence which has been unearthed by the Chinese authorities, naval and military, reveals the astonishing fact, (says the *N. C. Daily News*) that the recent hazardous bombardment of the French Concession in Shanghai was a deliberate act of provocation ordered by two Chinese gunboat captains who were in the pay of the Red Southern army.

It is certain, among other things, that the orders issued by the two officers in question never covered the shelling of the Arsenal or of any other Northern military establishment, but were to shell the French Concession indiscriminately.

A clumsy effort was made to provide an excuse for this murderous attack on the Chinese and foreign civilian populations. A junk was towed down stream between the Chinese gunboats and the Shanghai bank of the river and when it was in line with the settlements, brisk rifle fire was opened on the gunboats from the junk. The bombardment which followed was to have been excused as a piece of bad shooting in reply to this assault. Since the shelling of the French Concession did not have the desired effect of prompting a counter bombardment that could have been used for propaganda purposes, the two captains bolted to avoid the inevitable investigation and at the time of writing have not yet been found.

The Chinese naval authorities naturally got very busy at once in their search for a motive for this amazing performance and are said to have overwhelming evidence to prove that the two culprits were in the pay of the Cantonese, who are as usual anxious to force any or all of the Powers into taking drastic action which can be advertised as Imperialistic aggression, both in China and through the usual Red medium abroad.

It is further said that the French authorities have been much quoted recently in Kuomintang propaganda as boasting that, if the Concession were endangered by proximity to a Chinese battle, they would put an end to hostilities by shelling the Arsenal and the Chinese gunboats. This absurd story was presumably meant to pave the way for lurid, mendacious versions of any incident which the "accidental" shelling of the Concession might have provoked.

The Very Idea!

A young lawyer, pleading his first case, had been retained by a farmer to prosecute a railway company for killing 24 hogs.

He wanted to impress the jury with the magnitude of the injury. "Twenty-four hogs, gentlemen. Twenty-four; twice the number in the jury-box."

The wedding bells were ringing loud.

'Mid situation tense.

The bride, however, wasn't thrilled.

It was her fifth offense.

Guy's Hospital was built to commemorate the Gunpowder Plot—at least, so thought a schoolboy whose mistake is included in a list of "howlers" published in this month's "University Correspondent."

It was an excellent piece of journalism for the *Daily Telegraph* to print the obituary notice of the Empress Charlotte originally written by Augustus Sala in 1894. But the passing of a generation means something. We should not now write "our beloved Princess Charlotte" of a lady; we would not say "impassable face" when we mean impassive; and we do not feel the expected thrill of horror at the Empress's plight when she "nearly fainted" on finding she would have to drive to her hotel in a cab.

An authority on medical chemistry sends me a note on Mussolini's remark. "Macaroni is a great muscle-builder." "That macaroni should be a good muscle-builder," he says, "is chemically impossible, as protein matter (muscle), containing nitrogen, cannot be made from starch matter such as macaroni—although, of course, Mussolini should know all about muscle!"

The very soul of life is responsibility.—Lord Reading.

This is not the day of the busy-body.—Rev. R. J. Campbell.

Religion cannot be learned over the wireless.—Dr. Hewlett Johnson.

I write very nice plays indeed. They are not a bit unpleasant, but unfortunately nobody else seems to think so.—Lord Lathom.

Mr. Bernhard Baron, the tobacco millionaire, bought a pair of silk stockings at Brighton at a mock auction conducted by Mlle. Delysia, the actress, during a charity entertainment at the Hippodrome. Mlle. Delysia sold twelve pairs of stockings in all for one hundred guineas, and also obtained fifty guineas for a diamond brooch. The entertainment and auction together raised £1,000 for the Brighton and Hove Jewish Board of Guardians.

"Will you have a glass of whisky, Mr. McGregor, or a meringue?" the hostess asked her guest.

"No, no," replied the Scot, "you're no' wrang; I'll tak' the whisky!"

She came into the police station with a photograph in her hand.

"My husband has disappeared," said she. "This is his photo. And she handed Exhibit A to the police inspector."

"I want him found at once," she added.

The inspector looked up from the photograph.

"Why?" he asked.

Paris, Jan. 30.—Certain of the great department stores in Paris have been included in the itinerary of the sight-seeing buses so that women who are more interested in gowns than they are in the Pantheon and Notre Dame, can "take in the sights."

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, March 2.

Paris	124
Brussels	24.80
Amsterdam	12.11 1/2
Berlin	20.47
Copenhagen	18.20
Vienna	84.65 1/2
Helsingfors	10.25 1/2
Lisbon	217/32
Oslo	5 1/2
Bombay	1/5 1/2 1/4
Hongkong	2/0 7/16
New York	4.85 1/2
Geneva	25.22
Milan	111.1/16
Stockholm	12.47
Oslo	12.70 1/2
Madrid	16.85 1/2
Athens	870
Buenos Aires	47 1/2
Shanghai	2/0 11/16
Yokohama	2/0 7/8 1/2
Silver (spot)	26.1/16
Silver (forward)	26.13/16

—British Wireless.

GYPSIES' LUCK.

TROUPE WINS BIG SWEEP PRIZE.

IN CHINESE CLUB.

Fortune has smiled on the troupe of Argentine gypsies who recently arrived here without valid passports and who on Thursday last were given fourteen days' grace before expulsion from the Colony. They have won the second prize in the Chinese Club Derby Sweep, totalling \$28,000, and thus find their recent financial problems solved for them in a most unexpected manner.

It was over a year ago that the troupe, whose members are circus performers, left the United States for a tour of the world imbued with the true gipsy wanderlust, equipped with the usual paraphernalia of a circus, and fortified with the expectancy of meeting with success from which they would return with an increased fortune. Three generations were represented, the whole of the troupe of fifteen being blood relations. Their financial resources were at first by no means meagre, amounting to no less than \$14,000 (gold) which appeared to be ample with which to launch their tour.

For a time fortune smiled upon them, and their financial reserve multiplied exceedingly, but their luck did not continue in the Philippine Islands or North China, where their fortune began to dwindle down to a point which caused them much hardship.

Leaving Shanghai in desperation, the company reached Hongkong via Canton, to find that owing to their passports not being in order, they must "move on elsewhere." With only \$400 Mexican dollars in their possession, this was easily said than done, and they were therefore given a period of grace in which to raise the necessary funds. Circus organs and an automobile which had given good service in the past were not sufficient security upon which to raise the required sum, but such superstitious people as travelling gypsies had by no means reached their last resource, although whether the presence of a lady fortune-teller in the company in any way influenced them is not known. The fact remains that they decided to again appeal to Dame Fortune, through the medium of the Chinese Club Sweep on the Hongkong Derby. Fortune again smiled, to some purpose too, for their original \$14,000 (gold) were returned again in the form of nearly \$28,000 (Mex). In other words, they won the second prize; As the rules stipulate that seven days must elapse before the money is paid out, they should come into possession of the big prize just on the eye of the expiry of the period of grace allowed by the local magistrate.

APPEAL APPLICATION.

AGAINST TRUSTEE'S DECISIONS.

In the Supreme Court this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, acting Chief Justice, Mr. W. B. Hind applied on behalf of A. Kwai and Co., otherwise known as the Yik Cheong Hong Company, for leave to appeal against the decision of the Trustee in Bankruptcy in eight cases where he had refused to admit proofs of debt. The application was heard *ex parte*.

Mr. E. Davidson, who appeared for the Trustee, said he must make a formal objection to the application, as his Lordship would notice it was out of time. The time for appealing from the Trustee's decision expired on February 27th. Notices of motion were filed on February 24th, and it could have been before the court on February 26th.

His Lordship:—There was a Bankruptcy Session on that day was there?

Mr. Davidson:—I think, my Lord.

His Lordship:—And it was not on the list?

Mr. Davidson replied in the negative, and added that the original notices of motion were for Friday, February 25th, and further affidavits in support were only filed to-day, so that they were out of time in any case. He did not know whether the other side would be able to proceed with their objection, but it was his duty to take the point if his Lordship would note it.

His Lordship adjourned the case *sine die*.

ANOTHER SCARE.

COMMUNISTIC ACTIVITY IN CANTON.

According to Chinese reports, the people of Canton have had another scare that Communism had been declared in the city. On the main thoroughfares, such as the Wai Oi and Wing Hong Maloos, Red posters were put up on Monday bearing the characters, "Long Live Communism," "Support the Communists" and "Communism Has Been Adopted," whilst handbills were distributed attacking Kuomintang principles. It is understood that this propaganda was the work of a leader of the Workers' Congress and his followers.

This man was recently defeated by the more conservative Kuomintang leaders in the recent election of City Committee Commissioners, and had not been allowed by General Li Chai-sum to call a conference at the Educational Association building. General Li and other military leaders are now taking steps to suppress his agitation.

The Whampoa Military Academy's students have sent out a circular telegram insisting that Mr. Wang Ching-wei be asked to return and resume office as Chairman of the Nationalist Government. Mr. Wang recently addressed a letter to his followers in Canton that he would not be able to return for the time being. The military training institute for civil officers in Canton was formally opened on the 1st inst. Three hundred officers, mostly those in the service of the Provincial Government, have joined the institute, which is having General Li Chai-sum as chief instructor and several high military commanders as assistant instructors.

"POPPY DAY."

LEGION THANKS HONGKONG.

The following letter has been received from the Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong branch of the British Legion:

Dear Sir,—I have to-day received from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Gracechurch Street, the sum of £1,517.14.0, which I presume is the contribution from Hongkong and China, in response to Lord Haig's Appeal on Remembrance Day, November 11th.

Although I have no doubt that a letter is on its way from you giving particulars of this very splendid contribution, I feel that I should at once send our official receipt and say how deeply Lord Haig appreciates the very valuable help given to the Fund in connection with the Appeal, more especially in view of the troublous times through which you are passing in China—as affording the most tangible proof that in spite of many difficulties the public remembers so loyally the sacrifices made by those on whose behalf he appeals.

I look forward to hearing from you, but in the meantime would express our sincere gratitude to all concerned in this splendid contribution.—Yours faithfully,

W. E. WILLCOX,
Captain.

Organizing Secretary,
Appeal Department,
British Legion.

"HE IS CRAZY"

DEFENDANT'S REMARK ABOUT ANOTHER.

Four men, charged with running a lottery business, before Mr. E. Lindell this morning, were asked if they had anything to say. The first three defendants said they were honest labourers, but the fourth showed great indecision in his reply.

First Defendant:—Oh, he is crazy, and does not understand what he says.

Fourth defendant:—I am also a labourer.

First defendant:—Mad! He is just an odd-job man. Asked what they were doing at the time of the police raid, the first defendant denied that he was setting up the printing type. The second said he was working a printing machine; the third said he was sweeping up crumbs, being the cook of the place, while the fourth stated that he was not actually in the matched.

There was no evidence to convict the fourth, and he was discharged.

The case against the other defendants was proved, and on the count of printing, a fine of \$100, or six weeks' hard labour, was imposed on all four.

POLICE PRESENTATION.

TRIBUTES TO INSPECTOR BOND.

Members of the Police Force assembled in the canteen at the Central Police Station this morning to do honour to Inspector Bond, of the Water Police, who is retiring after twenty-one years' service with the Force in the Colony. Many tributes were paid to him, and the hope was expressed that he would return to the Colony, where he could depend on a ready welcome being extended to him.

The occasion was the presentation to Inspector Bond of a gold watch and chain with match box, the presentation being made by the Captain Superintendent of Police, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, who was supported by Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, D.S.P., and Chief Inspector W. Kent. Others present were Divisional Inspector Spear, Inspector Ogg, Inspector Reynolds, acting Inspector Moss, Sub-Inspector Wilson, Sub-Inspector Ellis, Sub-Inspector Andrews, Sub-Inspector Lane, Sergeant Waller, Sergeant Munroe, Sergeant Joy, and Sergeant Hunt.

The Hon. Mr. Wolfe said Inspector Bond, as they all knew, represented that section of the Police Force which had a very particular value, the Water Police, and, having elected to remain a bachelor, Inspector Bond had served continuously with the Water Police. Amidst laughter, he commented, it was the one great drawback to the Water Police service that if a man was married he practically had to give up that service, for the simple reason that it was impossible to provide accommodation for wives on board the new cruising launches.

Excellent Record.

However it was a great pleasure to him to be able to record the excellent service of an officer who had spent his whole time in carrying out duties in connection with that very important branch of the Hongkong Police Force. He (Mr. Wolfe) was prepared to state that he had known no better man than Inspector Bond—(Applause). He had shown all the qualities of a seaman which were necessary for that particular work, and in addition to that a perusal of his record would show that he had been responsible on more than one occasion for saving life, both from the promptings of humanity and with the intention of bringing an offender to justice.

Many Commendations.

Stating that they could judge for themselves, Mr. Wolfe proceeded to read out Inspector Bond's record. Inspector Bond joined the Police from the Royal Navy in 1906, the year of the big typhoon. He was appointed Lance-Sergeant in 1912, Crown Sergeant in 1918, Sub-Inspector in 1920, and full Inspector, in charge of the Water Police craft, in 1924. He had therefore held the rank of full Inspector for three years.

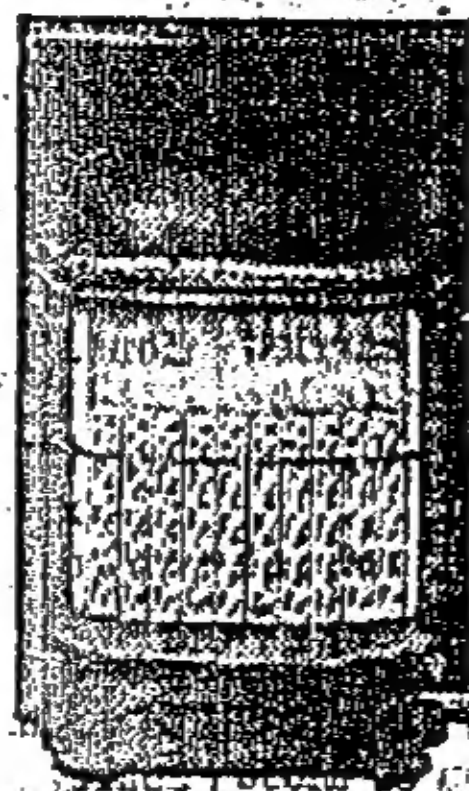
In 1907 he was commended by the Governor for rescuing two men from drowning, and in 1914 the Governor again commended him for meritorious work at a fire which broke out at Luichikok, when one of the Standard Oil Company's tanks caught fire. Although he (Mr. Wolfe) was not then in the Police, he remembered going to the fire and seeing Inspector Bond there. In January, 1917, Inspector Bond was granted a third-class medal by the Governor for meritorious discharge of his duties and in particular for risking his own life by jumping into the water and effecting the rescue of coal thieves.

Valuable Man.

Continuing, Mr. Wolfe said that summed up Inspector Bond's whole character. He was a man of few words, and when it came to a question of decisive action, he knew what to do and he did it.

That was the type of man they were looking for in the Police, and whose loss they regretted when they had to go. He was again commended by the Captain Superintendent of Police for the seizure of a junk carrying a large quantity of opium and the arrest of four men. In 1926, he received another commendation from the Governor for conspicuous and valuable services rendered during the general strike. He might say that had it not been for Inspector Bond, when everybody was defying law and order, the part played by the sampan and lighter men might

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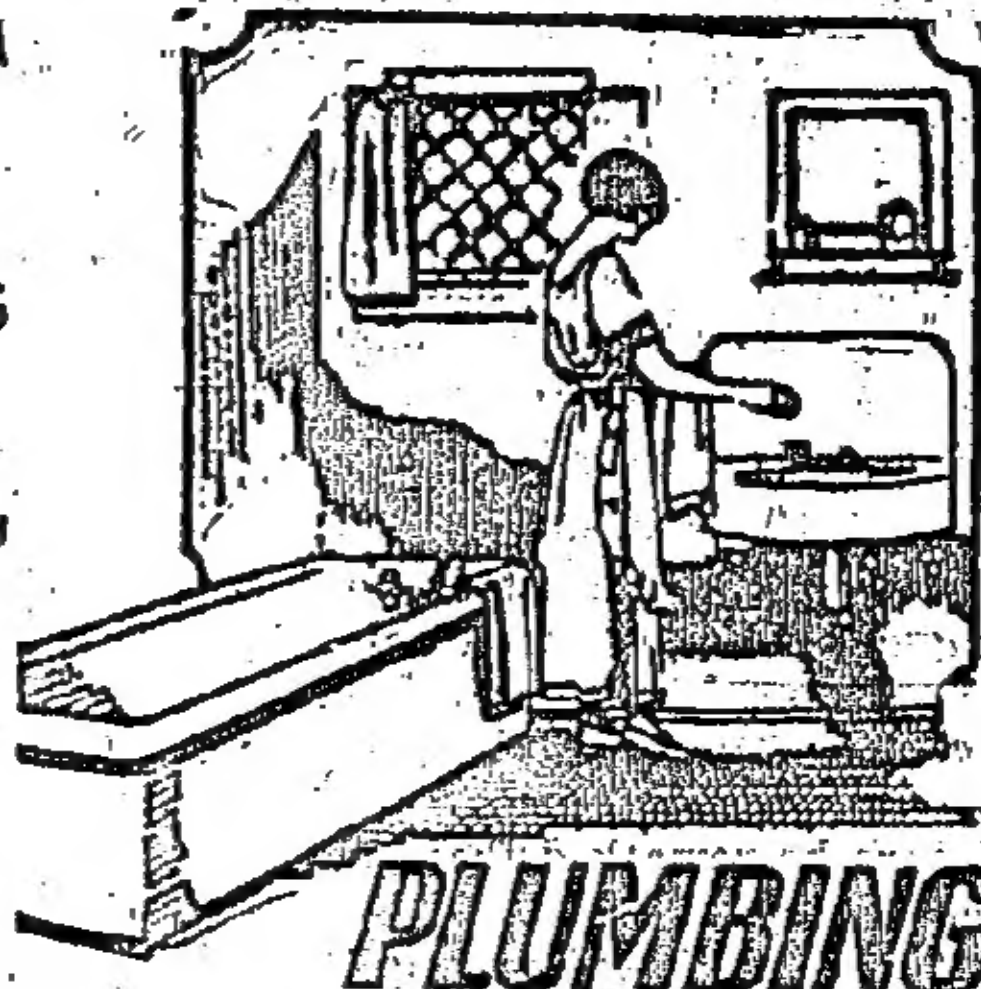
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A MONTH'S WORK.

The following table shows the combined work of the Inspectors of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals during February:

Transport.	
Poultry, crates	1,774
Poultry on trucks and lorries, loads	119
Poultry in junks and ferries, crates	167
Poultry by rail, crates	39
Pigs on trucks and in baskets	1,345
Pigs in junks and ferries	656
Pigs by rail	32
Cattle in junks	203
Cattle ashore	60
Sheep and goat in junks	30
Dog by rail	1
Dogs in market, Taiipo	24
Cats in market, Taiipo	4

Imports.	
Poultry, crates	2,934
Pigs	8,765
Cattle	1,332
Sheep and goats	240
Cages of birds	63
Foxes	2
Cats	3
Owls	4

Exports.	
Poultry, crates	97
Cattle	319
Sheep and goats	195
Dogs	2
Monkeys	20
Cages of birds	17
Ponies	7

Visits.	
Markets	70
Birdshops	16
Railway stations	23
Dogs home	44
Dealers shops	15
Pig pens, Yau-mai	3
Landing places	58
Poultry depots	84
Cattle depot	20

Miscellaneous.	
Ignorant cruelty cases corrected	38
Markets watched, times	43
Ferries watched, times	45
Cases investigated on report received	1

Dogs claimed in home during month	
Dogs claimed in home during month	13
Dogs sold in home during month	1
Dogs died in home during month	3
Dogs destroyed in home during month	1
Dogs destroyed in home during month	8

OPIUM CONVENTION.

RATIFIED BY FIVE NATIONS.

Geneva, March 2.

The Dutch Government has deposited with the Secretariat of the League of Nations its ratification of the International Opium Convention of 1925, which has now been ratified by Britain, France, India, Holland and Portugal.—Reuter.

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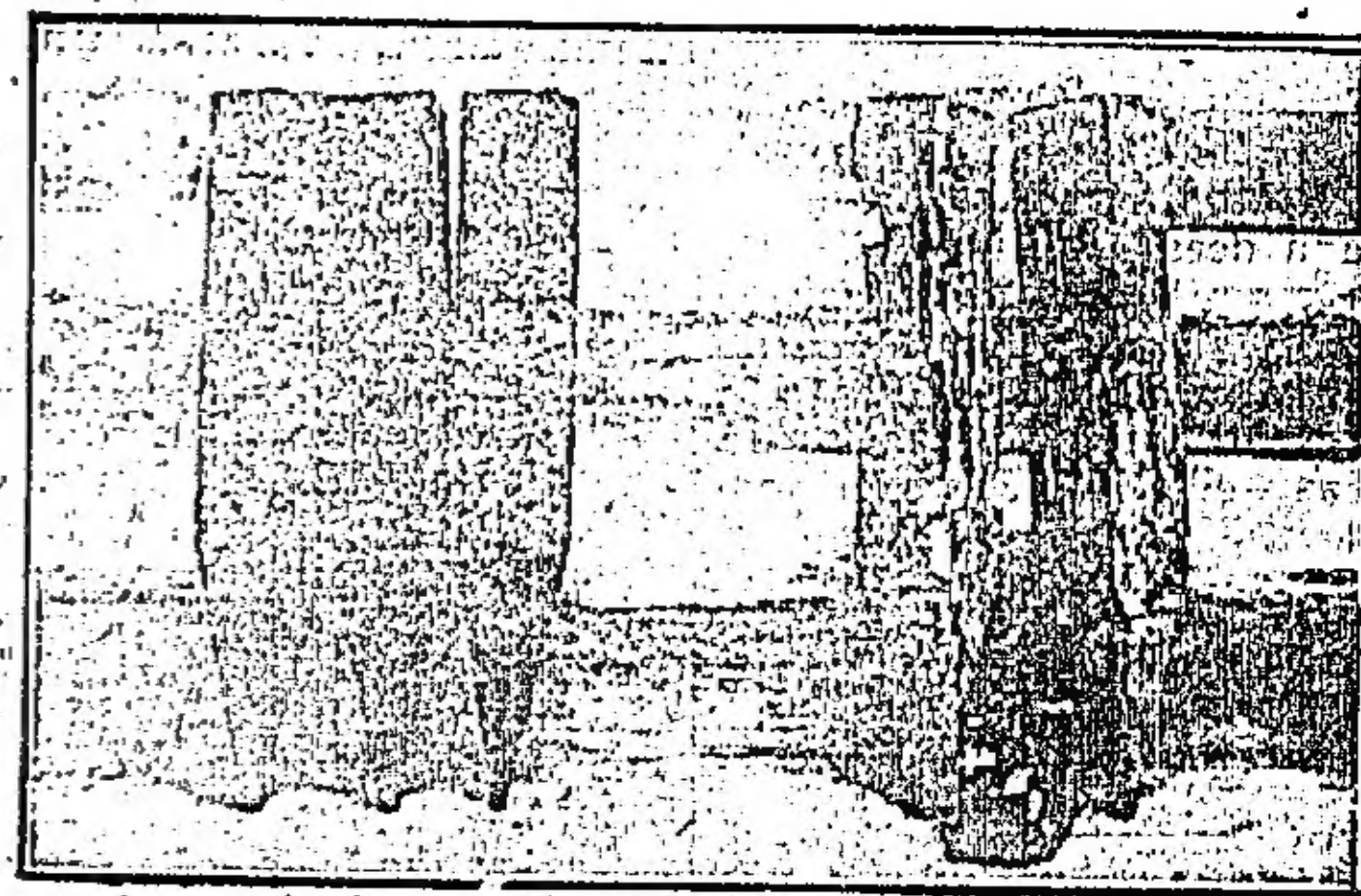
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MINE DISASTERS.

AT LEAST 65 DEAD.

London, Mar. 2.

Their Majesties have telegraphed condolences to the sufferers in the colliery disasters, wherein there are at least sixty-five dead.

Despite the official announcement that there is only the faintest hope of rescuing more of the entombed men small knots of wives carrying babes, clinging desperately to the hope that the men might somehow return, waited in the cold in vain at the Cwm Pithead all night long. There were harrowing scenes.

Twelve canaries lowered at varying intervals were brought up dead before the air cleared and permission was given to continue the rescue.

Although the disaster is attributed to an explosion, few of the miners heard a sound. They were unaware of their danger until they felt a clutching stricture of the throat and began to gasp for breath.

Tragedy.

Hardly a street in Cwm does not mourn the loss of a relative. One woman lost her husband and two sons, another her husband and son-in-law, another two sons. One victim leaves seven children, including a baby two months old for whose life the mother paid with her own.

The rescuers described the heart-rending expedition below. In one case they found a man lying dead, his two arms still under the shoulders of a friend whom he was dragging to the shaft, where death claimed both.—*Reuter*.

HANDSOME DONATION.

JAPANESE GIFT FOR JAPANESE STUDENTS.

Paris, Mar. 3.

The papers report the recent signing in the Chamber of Deputies by the Rector of the Paris University of a deed donating 3,650,000 francs given by the Tokio citizen, Jirachichi Satsuma, for the building and operating of an edifice to be reserved for Japanese studying in Paris, as well as for Japanese professors and scholars making researches in Paris.—*Havas*.

THE GLADSTONE DOCK.

OFFICIAL OPENING BY THEIR MAJESTIES.

London, March 2.

The Gladstone Dock at Liverpool which has cost about £7,500,000 and adds 56 acres of new dock and nearly three miles of quays to the port, will be officially opened by Their Majesties the King and Queen, next July. The flooding of the new docks began some weeks ago.—*British Wireless*.

BIG WHISKY HAUL.

12,500 CASES SEIZED ON PACIFIC COAST.

San Francisco, Mar. 2.

The "Federalship," the largest vessel engaged in rumrunning off the Pacific seaboard, and recently transferred from the British to the Panamanian register, has been seized 300 miles to the southwest with 12,500 cases of whisky aboard.—*Reuter's American Service*.

THE U.S. NAVY.

SENATE APPROVES BILL FOR MODERNISING.

Washington, Mar. 2.

The Senate has approved the bill authorizing appropriations already passed by the House of Representatives for the modernising of the battleships Oklahoma and Nevada, including the elevation of the turret guns and the completion of three ships, now constructing.—*Reuter's American Service*.

BRITISH UNEMPLOYMENT.

London, March 2.

Official figures for the week ending February 21st show a reduction in registered unemployed of 74,117 on the previous week.—*British Wireless*.

LATE SIR ROBERT JARDINE.

FUNERAL AT LOCKERBIE.

The funeral took place on February 3 of Sir Robert W. Buchanan Jardine, Bart. of Castle Milk, Lockerbie, to the family burial ground in St. Mungo Churchyard. There was a large body of mourners from a wide area. Representatives from Lockerbie Town Council and many other public bodies were present, as well as the tenantry and workers on the estates of Castle Milk, Wamphray, Dinwoodie, Corrie, &c. A service was conducted in front of the castle by the Rev. A. S. G. Gilchrist, B.D., M.C., minister of Applegarth.

The coffin of polished oak, with purple tassels and gunmetal mountings, was conveyed on an open carriage drawn by two horses to the churchyard. It was covered by many beautiful wreaths from the family and other friends, while two lorries were also filled with floral tributes, and draped in the Castle Milk racing colours of blue and silver. The cortege was estimated to be over a mile in length. On arrival at the churchyard the coffin was carried to the graveside by several of Sir Robert's employees. The grave was lined with ivy, laurels, snowdrops, and tulips.

The pall-bearers were Sir John W. Buchanan Jardine, Comlongon Castle (son); Colonel Bell-Irving, London (cousin); Major Rickman, London (brother-in-law); Mr. John Johnstone of Halleaths; Major H. Kogwick, Cowhill; Mr. R. Jardine Paterson of Balgray; Mr. W. Jardine Gresson, Stoke House, Severn, Stoke; Captain J. Bell-Irving, Whitehill; Mr. D. Landale of Dalswinton; Mr. H. Caven Irving of Burnfoot; and Mr. J. M. Aitken, Norwood.

The chief mourners also included Lady Buchanan Jardine, Castle Milk; Mrs. Owen Peel, Castle Milk; Lady J. W. Buchanan Jardine, Comlongon Castle; Mr. Anthony Lowther, representing the Earl of Lonsdale; Mr. J. H. Milne Home, representing his Grace the Duke of Buccleuch; and Mr. John Henderson, representing Mr. Hope Johnstone of Annandale.

Among the general body of mourners were Mr. J. Hartley Bibby, Liverpool; Mr. R. T. Waugh, Newmarket; Mr. Stanley Smallwood, representing Mr. Alfred Smallwood; Mr. T. Coulthwaite, Hednesford; Mr. R. J. Colling, Bedford Lodge, Newmarket; Major Galbraith, The Barony; Colonel "Caruthers, Dormont; Mr. H. W. F. Hunter-Arundell, Barjary; Mr. J. Stewart Lyon of Kirkmichael; Mr. D. J. Bell-Irving, The Howke; Mr. H. S. Gordon of Glenae.

During the hours of the funeral the shops and places of business in Lockerbie were closed.

OBITUARY.

JUDICIAL COMMISSIONER OF MALAYA.

Sir Thomas Braddell, late Chief Judicial Commissioner, Federated Malay States, died at Folkestone on January 31, at the age of 70.

Thomas de Milton Leo Braddell was the eldest son of Thomas Braddell, C.M.G., of Incheongrany, Co. Wicklow, who was Attorney-General of the Straits Settlements for 15 years. Born on November 25, 1850, he was sent to Brighton College, and afterwards went up to Worcester College, Oxford. In 1870 he was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple, and, having married Ida, daughter of Mr. John Roberts Kirby, sailed for Singapore, and joined his father in practice. In 1897 he was appointed Puisne Judge, and in 1911 he became Attorney-General. In 1913 he went to the Federated Malay States as Chief Judicial Commissioner, was knighted in 1914, and retired in 1917.

Sir Thomas, like his father, was a keen Freemason, and in his time was master of Lodge St. George and of Head Lodge, Kuala Lumpur; he was also District Grand Senior Warden. He was very fond of yachting, swimming, and all sports connected with the sea or river. He was also a good actor in his younger days. He was much esteemed for his fine character, sincerity, and kindness. He leaves four sons and two daughters; his eldest son, Roland, followed his father as a barrister at Singapore. Sir Thomas's younger brother, R.W. Glen Leo Braddell, won his tennis half-blue at Oxford, and was amateur lawn-tennis champion of the North of England; his son, Robert Lytton Leo Braddell, was captain of the Association football team and played in the cricket XI at Oxford, and also played Association for England.

Sir John Gilbert, an ex-chairman of the London County Council, at Putney said that the classes for waiters had not been very successful because it seemed that the English boy's temperament did not fit in with such a profession.

BOY HERO.

DEATH AS A LONDON FIREMAN.

"One of the best-loved men in the brigade," was the unanimous opinion of the 50 London firemen and Salvage Corps men who walked beside the coffin of Fireman Aubrey Morgan as it was carried through a heavy snowstorm to the cemetery at Willesden, N. W., recently.

Fireman Morgan, who lived at Harlesden, N.W., and had been five years at the Euston fire station, died from anæmia at the early age of 26. Thirteen of those 26 years were crammed with adventures as a Royal Marine, a policeman, and a fireman. He was the youngest soldier at the renowned defence of Antwerp, in which the Royal Marines took a part, in 1914.

Wounded at 14.

He was then only 14, but he displayed great bravery and was wounded. When his colleagues were ordered to Dunkirk in August 1914 Bugler Morgan was told that he was too young to go, but his entreaties to his commanding officer were so persistent that at last he was allowed to accompany the Royal Marines. An account of his conduct at Antwerp, issued in November 1914, read:

His bravery was marvellous. He ran all over the firing zone, taking every manner of risk and not a whit perturbed by the shells bursting around him. At last a fragment hit him in the leg.

He was nursed in Antwerp by the Belgian Countess Gonsloze, who wrote to the boy's mother, "God bless your dear, brave boy."

A Reply to the King.

At the immortal attack on Zebrugge, Morgan, then only 18, again covered himself with glory. When the King inspected the men, before they left for their great adventure he remarked that Morgan looked very young.

"But I am 19 and old enough to go," proudly replied the youth. He was brought back the next day, gassed.

One of the most prized possessions was his certificate of service which contained the following inscription: "Participated in battle for award of Victoria Cross grant for operations against Zebrugge and Ostend on the night of 22nd to 23rd April, 1918."

He left the Royal Marines in 1919 and became a policeman for two years.

120-YEARS-OLD PARROT.

GOOD OLD DAYS OF 1801.

A parrot, believed to be more than 120 years old, is at present living in a house in Philbeach Gardens, S.W. This bird, though devoid of feathers on its breast and back, still has fine red tail feathers and a mass of grey feathers on its wings. All day long, despite his reputed age, he talks, swings on a rope, and plays with a ball.

Col. W. B. Ferris, its owner, told a *Daily Mail* reporter something of its story. He said:

"I have known Peter, my parrot, for 55 years, and he was just as bold in 1872 as he is now. He was in India at the time, the property of the Maharajah of Kolhapur, and was then known to be of great age."

The maharajah told me he was originally the tribal mascot of the Rajah of Satara. In 1801 a British soldier captured him after a battle between the English and the Rajah, but he was returned later.

In 1844 he was handed to the Maharajah of Kolhapur, who gave him to me. Peter was then known for hundreds of miles round as the "Maharajah Parrot."

Since 1908 Peter has been in England with me and all the children round know him. He mimics all their voices and will imitate anything, such as the bark of a dog, to perfection.

When I was Governor of Aden, Peter nearly caused an "international incident." A Russian admiral called on me, and when I entered the room I saw he was annoyed. "Has that bird been taught to insult foreigners?" he asked. "No," I replied. "Well," he added, "When I came into the room I said, 'Good morning. Pretty Polly' and the bird replied, 'You infernal bouncer.'" It took me some time to pacify the admiral.

400-YEARS-OLD INN.

SHORTLY TO BE PULLED DOWN.

One of London's oldest inns, the Camberwell Grove Tavern, is being pulled down and rebuilt. It is reputed to be 400 years old, and has many historical associations.

A *Daily Chronicle* representative found recently that one-half of the premises had been demolished. The old coaching yard and the balcony are partially gone, and the clock has disappeared from the clock-face in the courtyard.

In the wine cellar is a wooden palisade covering a dark passage. This was said once to be the entrance to a secret passage, and has been associated with Dick Turpin. The passage goes underground for nearly 100ft. after a descent of a flight of steps.

Last Thatched Cottage.

It was in Camberwell-grove, which still has its real grove of trees and the last thatched cottage in London, that Joseph Chamberlain was born.

Camberwell Grove Tavern is associated with the history of the Camberwell Club, a society composed of clergymen, lawyers and merchants.

A writer in *Old and New London* says that "snug dinners, stray balls and quarterly feasts were the principal duties which the members were called upon to perform; and right well did they acquit themselves, if report be true."

Charles Dickens gives a vivid account of a ball which took place in the grounds of the tavern in his "Sketches by Boz." The dance was got up by certain "aspiring" inhabitants.

Another celebrated character has associations with the Grove Tavern. In 1802 an engraving was published showing that the tavern was the scene of some famous political meetings. Mr. Tierney, the great friend of Charles James Fox, was elected M.P. for Southwark in 1802, and the picture shows "Citizen" Tierney being drawn in a carriage in state to the tavern.

SIR HARRY LAUDER.

TO ACT IN NEW BRITISH FILM.

Sir Harry Lauder has just arranged to take a principal part in a film to be made in Great Britain this year based on Mr. John B. Gann's adventure novel "Huntingtower."

Sir Harry will play the elderly Scot who suddenly goes knight-errant in company with a young man and some undaunted Boy Scouts.

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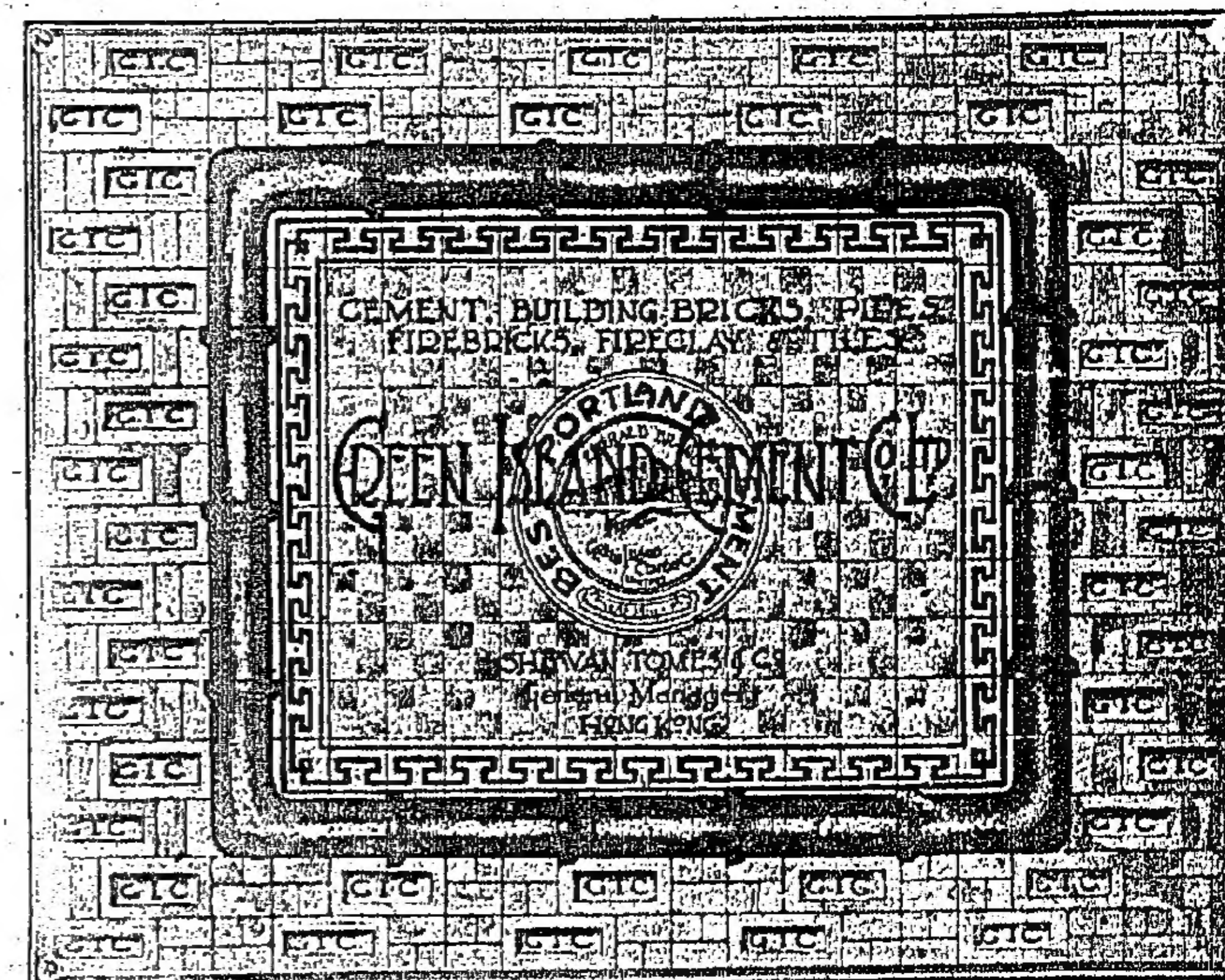
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TIENTSIN	Cheongshing	Tues. 8th Mar at noon.
CANTON	Fooshing	Wed. 9th Mar at 7 a.m.
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SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Satur. 19th Mar at noon.
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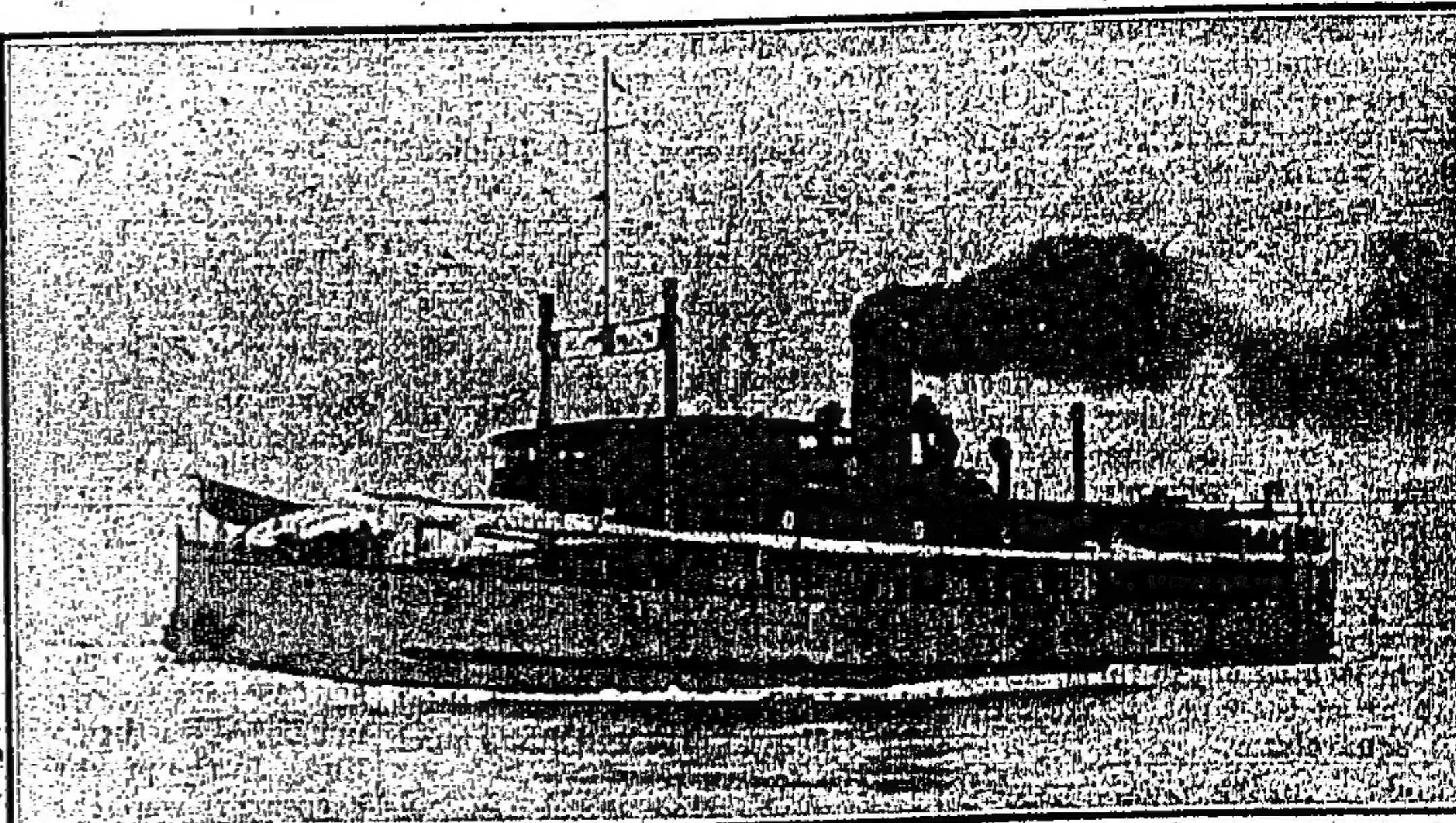
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A visit was recently paid by the Croydon Bell Foundry (Messrs. Gillett and Johnston's) to view and hear the new carillon of 43 bells which is about to be sent off to St. Chrysostom's Church, Chicago. The visit was one of several recent indications of the present-day supremacy of English bell-founders, who lead the world.

The Chicago bells were demonstrated by means of a new pneumatic-electric machine, which is an application of the piano principle to the carillon. The bells can also be played by a keyboard, which has as light a touch as a piano. The carillon is a gift from Mr. R. T. Crane, in memory of his father, the pioneer bell-founder of Chicago.

Afterwards Mr. Kamel Lefevre, who had come from Malines for the purpose, gave a recital on the 46 bells an uncompleted carillon. This, when made up to 53 bells will be the finest carillon in the world. It is destined for the Canadian Houses of Parliament at Ottawa. Already it is a wonderful musical instrument.

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OUR POLICY AT SHANGHAI.

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Sun Chuan-fang's troops, because ammunition was found in the bunkers.

The transfer of further Shanghai troops from Pukow has been delayed possibly in view of the reported defection of Anhwei troops.—Naval Wireless.

Chinkiang, March 2.
One transport left down river to-day.—Naval Wireless.

"KARMALA" ARRIVES.

Battalions Disembarking in Hongkong.

The British troopship, the s.s. Karmala, carrying the Headquarters Staff of the 13th Infantry Brigade, the 1st Batt. the Border Regiment and the 1st Batt. Middlesex Regiment, arrived this morning and went alongside Holt's Wharf.

It is likely that the troops on board will disembark in Hongkong and proceed to the camps at Fanling, but on enquiry at military headquarters this morning, we were informed that no definite decision has been reached. This applies also to the Devonshire Regiment and the Coldstream Guards, which are still quartered on the "Castle" boats in mid-stream.

The Coldstreams were engaged on a route march through the Wanchai district this morning. The battalion was not carrying equipment, but made an excellent impression. The drum and life band of the Coldstreams headed the parade.

Later.
It has been decided to disembark the Middlesex and Border Regt. battalions here, one to go to the camp at Fanling, and the other into the camp off the Chatham Road.

The Middlesex Regiment (Duke of Cambridge's Own)—The 1st Battalion is the old 57th Foot, and the Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment is the Prince of Wales. The Regimental Badge is the plume of the Prince of Wales. The Regiment has a very fine war service and during the Great War raised 46 Battalions.

According to the latest Army List available, the Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion is Lieut.-Col. W. A. Stewart, O.B.E., and the following are the senior officers:—Major V. L. N. Pearson, D.S.O., W. W. Jefford, L. F. Sleane-Stanley and Captains L. L. Pargiter, D.S.O., N. H. E. Lyon, M.C., H. Phillips, M.C., G. C. Bucknall, M.C., H. W. M. Call, O.B.E., M.C., B. G. Horrocks, M.C., C. W. Haydon, M.C., S. F. W. M. del Court, M.C., and E. F. Lyons, M.C.

The 1st Batt. of the Border Regiment is the old 34th Foot, and the 2nd Battalion is the old 65th Foot, with Depot at Carlisle. The Regimental Badge is a Laurel Wreath and The Dragon, superimposed "China". During the Great War the Regiment raised 16 battalions.

The Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion is Lieut.-Col. C. H. Harrison, D.S.O., and the following are the senior officers of the Battalion: Majors E. Roche-Kelly, D.S.O., G. Darwell, M.C., M. J. Manley, M.C., and W. O. Lay, Captains H. L. Chatfield, M.C., C. G. Carruthers, M.C., G. W. B. Tarleton, M.C., W. F. H. Chambers, M.C., G. W. O'Brien, M.C., F. J. S. Nichols, M.C.

The second battalion is also in China, having reached Shanghai a few days ago on the s.s. Megan-tic.

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

Nationalist Forces Moving.

According to a Chinese telegram received from Shanghai this morning, General Chang Kai-shek has left Nanchang for the Chekiang front to direct the campaign against Shanghai and Nanking. He has also ordered the Nationalist forces on the Chekiang-Kiangsi border to proceed into Chekiang, which is General Chang's native province.

General Ho Ying-kam, Field Marshal of the Eastern Nationalist Army, together with his chief subordinate, General Tam Chiu-hing, have arrived in Chekiang from Fukien to participate in the campaign against Kiangsu.

New Chekiang Government.

Another telegram from Shanghai states that Mr. Tsai Yuan-pai, formerly President of the National University in Peking, has arrived at Haagehow, and assumed office as Commissioner of the Nationalist Chekiang Government Committee. The new Chekiang Government was officially inaugurated on February 28th.

TO-DAY'S FIRE.

LOSS ESTIMATED AT \$50,000.

A serious outbreak of fire, which, although not causing much structural damage, was nevertheless disastrous for the business concern involved, occurred at a few minutes to seven o'clock, this morning, the affected building, No. 321, Queen's Road Central, being located within the central portion of the city.

Within a very brief space of time—ten seconds to be precise—the first appliance reached the place from Headquarters, but within that time even, the outbreak had developed and the first two floors were well alight.

In due course, with the use of all available appliances, the fire was fought from adjacent houses, a jet being thrown across the street from an opposite house, and other hoses directed from the roofs of buildings, immediately adjoining the one involved.

At 11.45 o'clock the last of the firemen withdrew from the scene, having succeeded in extinguishing the blaze before it could spread further than the second floor. The two lower storeys were left intact, but the top floor, where the fire originated, and the one immediately below it, were practically burnt out.

Fire and Police Department officials, in investigating the outbreak have come to the conclusion that the fire originated in the overheating of a stove used for drying salt fish in the topmost floor.

The Sze Chan shop, which occupied all four floors of this building, estimates the loss at \$50,000, represented in stock and goods burnt or damaged by water and smoke. Of this, \$38,000 was covered by insurance with the Wing On and other Chinese Companies.

No lives were lost.

INTERVIEW WITH GENERAL DUNCAN.

Hopes to Maintain Peace.

Smiling cheerfully despite a slight touch of fever, which has confined him to his suite at the Astor House Hotel, Major-General John Duncan, C.B., C.M.G., C.V.O., D.S.O., on Sunday received a representative of *The Shanghai Times*, issuing a statement covering the situation here and declaring that British troops are in Shanghai to protect British lives and interests.

"We are here to protect British lives and property and, incidentally, the Settlement. You see, the Settlement is international. We are entirely neutral as regards any Chinese leaders."

During the course of the interview the General intimated that he backed neither one side nor the other in the war of the Cantonese against the Northerners, and that beyond the safeguarding of British interests, he had no other interests here.

General Duncan declared he came to Shanghai with every hope of maintaining peace and neutrality and, pointing at his bag of golf clubs, said, "I hope to get more of that than war." The Commander of the Shanghai Defence Force exhibited a great interest in Shanghai's facilities for sports and games stating he hoped for an early opportunity to take advantage of some of them.

USE OF JESSFIELD PARK.

We learn from Shanghai papers that some weeks ago matchsheds were erected in Jessfield Park obviously for the accommodation of very necessary troops for the protection of the Settlement, and a considerable amount of interest was aroused by the circumstance that so far no use of them has been made by British troops, but on the contrary that such troops have all been accommodated on British owned grounds. The position is that until Monday of last week no suggestion was made by the British authorities that Municipal property should be used for such accommodation, but the decision was then reached that such a formal request should be made.

The Municipal Council immediately replied that Jessfield Park is available for the British defence forces and further that should it be desired to use other Municipal property for billeting, such as schools, etc., these would be placed at the disposal of the defence forces.

It has not been decided what troops will use the matchsheds which have been erected at Jessfield Park. So far accommodation has been built for 800 men, although at a pinch the huts would take 1,000. These include all the necessary accommodation for a battalion, having cook-houses, wash-houses, etc. It is anticipated that steps will be immediately taken to increase the accommodation.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

MONTH OF IMPORTANT MEETINGS.

London, Mar. 2.

In addition to the forty-fourth session of the League of Nations Council which opens in Geneva on Monday next under the Presidency of Dr. Stresemann, the German Foreign Minister, there will be nine different League meetings during the present month.

Of these, the most important refer to the question of disarmament. When the Preparatory Commission for a Disarmament Conference meets again on March 25th, it will have before it the whole of the work done by its various technical sub-Commissions since June last, and may thus be able, definitely to draw up a programme and fix the date of an International Disarmament Conference. The related, though minor, question of the international supervision of the private manufacture of armaments will also be dealt with, since the special Commission, whereon the United States will be represented, will meet on March 14th, to draw up the draft International Convention for conference which is to be summoned by the League in Autumn.

The League's Financial Committee is to study the possibility of establishing a common scheme of financial assistance to the State which has been attacked and to consider the legal position which would result from enforcing in peacetime measures of economic pressure indicated in Article 16 of the Covenant, particularly by a maritime blockade. The Committee of the Council will examine the report of the sub-committee which met in London last month under the chairmanship of Viscount Cecil to study the kind of preventive action which might usefully be taken by the Council when considering a dispute brought before it.—British Wireless.

REDS RAMPANT.

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and S. Messrs. Jardine's, and the N. K. K. As all the steamers of the first two named are in the hands of the Northerners, there is no work at their hulks, and since December until recently there has also been no work at the British hulks owing to the strike. The Chamber of Commerce (Chinese) has paid \$10,000 to the General Labour Union for permission to remove cargo from the British hulks. In return the Chamber of Commerce collects the coolie hire (the new scale was given in a recent account) and in addition charges \$3 on every bill of lading which must be chopped by the Chamber of Commerce before the strike pickets will permit delivery to be taken of the cargo. The Chamber of Commerce thus hope to recover the \$10,000, but if there is any shortage the loss will fall on the Chamber.

Fortunes Made by Rasenals.

There are some 20 strike pickets on duty at each hulk. The job of strike picket is drawn for amongst the coolies by lot. Pickets are paid 40 cents per day while on duty, which in Kiu-king is not often as there are so many of them. The coolies also received 40 cents per day while working. When out of work they receive nothing. So now their maximum wage a month is \$12, which is just about the same as before the strike when they were paid at piece-work rates direct by the shipping companies' comprador.

As there has been very little work going lately they have been complaining that they can scarcely keep body and soul together. But the labour union has promised them a bonus of \$5 as soon as the strike is over. The coolies have not made a fortune out of the strike, but some of the labour leaders have achieved undreamt-of affluence.

So far only import cargo already in the hulks has been moved, but the Chinese merchants are anxious to make arrangements for shipping export cargo in British steamers. The Japanese steamers are unable to cope with all the cargo that is awaiting export and besides they are charging prohibitive prices, the rates on many products having risen 500 and 1,000 per cent.

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Frances Howard is her natural self in Richard Dix's new Paramount starring production "The Shock Punch," showing at the Star Theatre from to-day until Saturday. That is, Miss Howard exhibits her own hair, which is of natural chestnut brown.

In her last two pictures Miss Howard was obliged to wear wigs. In "The Swan" Miss Howard appeared as a princess and, of course, princesses did not wear short hair in their courting days. Then in "Too Many Kisses," a Richard Dix

picture recently released, she appeared as a wealthy Basque maiden, and again she was forced to hide her own hair for darker tresses.

In "The Shock Punch" Miss Howard plays the part of Dorothy Clark, daughter of a wealthy American contractor. American contractors have modern daughters, therefore she is permitted to show herself "as is."

Miss Howard is featured at the head of the supporting cast of the picture, which is an adaptation of John Monk Saunders' story of the same name which ran in Liberty. Many Kisses, who made "Too Many Kisses," a Richard Dix Panzer and "Gunboat" Smith.